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HH the Crown Prince was received at the Kuwait airport, by ministers and top officials.

Sheikh Saad returns

KUWAIT, Nov 12, (KUNA): HH the Crown Prince and Premier Sheikh Saad Al Abdullah returned home today after ending an eight-day visit to Saudi Arabia.

Sheikh Saad was received at the Kuwait International Airport by the chief of National Guards Sheikh Salem Al Ali, Deputy Premier and Foreign

Minister Sheikh Sabah Al Ahmed, ministers, and top government officials.

Sheikh Saad held talks in Saudi Arabia with King Fahd and Crown Prince Abdullah. He also performed umrah and visited the Holy Prophet's mosque in Madina.

An accord on neutral oil zone was signed between Kuwait and

Saudi Arabia during Sheikh Saad's visit.

Sheikh Saad today sent cables to the Saudi leaders thanking them for the hospitality he was accorded during his stay in the kingdom.

Sheikh Saad also expressed happiness over the talks held in Saudi Arabia.

Crew rescued

NAMSOS, Norway, Nov 12, (Reuters): A rescue helicopter plucked 25 crew from a Polish cargo ship that suffered engine failure in heavy seas and was drifting towards the rocky coasts of central Norway, local officials said today.

Nine crew members remained on board the 9,000-tonne Kopernia Machow and managed to get the engine restarted early today, they said. The ship resumed its northerly course.

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Govinda, Sridevi very much alive

By Fathima Ahmed

INDIAN film stars Sridevi and Govinda are doing fine and taking part in the shooting of their films, the editor of an Indian film magazine said yesterday.

Filmfare editor Rauf Ahmed, in a telephone interview with the Arab Times, said: "The reports of their death are untrue and baseless."

"Nothing as drastic as that has happened," he said, adding, "no one in Bombay has heard about the so-called tragedy."

He confirmed: "Both performers are doing well and shooting."

Govinda is shooting in Bombay for one of his 50 movies. Sridevi, who has been in Srinagar for location shooting, went to Madras yesterday."

Rumours

Rumours were afloat in Kuwait about the reported death of actor Govinda in a car crash. Top film actress Sridevi was said to have been injured or dead in the same accident.

The Arab Times office received several calls from worried, panicky fans — Pakistanis, Indians and Bangladeshis — seeking news about the two stars. One fan said: "I will board the next plane to Bombay to see the last remains of my favourite star, Govinda."

The rumours started in Kuwait after Pakistani newspaper reported the alleged car accident involving the two stars. It said Govinda had died and Sridevi was injured. The same paper retracted the story a day later, saying that no one was injured in the accident. It gave no further details.

Heavy water

OSLO, Norway, Nov 12, (AP): Norway is moving to outlaw exports of heavy water as evidence mounts that material sold for peaceful research has been diverted to make nuclear weapons.

Nevertheless, the government appealed on grounds that identity cards were the only way to prevent fraud at polling stations. Justices said they issued today's injunction because there

Arafat urges Bush to reconsider US Mideast policy

Crucial PNC session opens

ALGIERS, Nov 12, (Agencies): PLO leader Yasser Arafat addressed Palestinian leaders today at the opening of an extraordinary session of their parliament-in-exile to make a declaration of independence in the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

The Palestine National Council opened its first session at 4:20 pm (15:20 GMT) in a circular conference hall at the heavily guarded Club des Pins Convention Centre on the Algerian coast.

Freedom

When Arafat, chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organisation, and Algerian President Chadli Benjedid arrived a short time before the opening, the hundreds of delegates burst into loud applause, chanting in Arabic: "We will avenge our mar-

ters with our blood and our lives."

"We are going to raise the olive branch in the land of Prophet Mohammad (PBUH) and Jesus Christ," Arafat told delegates in a 15-minute address.

"I come carrying a freedom fighter's gun. The Palestinian revolution is a rifle and a stone in one hand and the olive branch in the other, an RPG-7 (rocket-propelled grenade launcher) in one hand and an olive branch in the other," the PLO chairman said.

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"In the name of God, I open

this session," said Sayeh, wearing a white flowing Arab robe and circular hat. "This is one of the biggest Palestinian days."

The speakers delivered their addresses from a podium in front of a wall draped with the Algerian flag and a flag bearing the PLO symbol of a gun and an olive branch.

Before the session Arafat said UN Resolution 242 recognising Israel is one of the options that might be adopted during the session.

"242 is one of the options," Arafat told reporters. The PLO chief declined to say if he was in favour of adoption of the UN resolution in a "political statement," which the Palestinian leaders were planning to issue after making their declaration of independence on Tuesday.

"I am the chairman. I have to respect the process of democracy," said Arafat, who was wearing green fatigues, the traditional black and white chequered keffiyeh head wrap and a pistol strapped to his belt.

But Palestinian sources said Arafat was pushing for adoption of Resolution 242 by the council over opposition from hardline leaders led by Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine chief George Habbash.

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Saudi Arabia and China establish trade link

BAHRAIN, Nov 12, (Reuters): Saudi Arabia and China have agreed to open commercial offices in each other's capitals, the first permanent representation between Riyadh and Beijing.

I really do not know the reason for this course of action.

Does the security force want to see local dailies provide the same type of pictures? Or is it the ban of press photographers aimed at following the newspaper's mission of covering such an important event with pictures?

We have raised this issue before with concerned officials. But, it seems that there are "some" who do not want to hear or respond. Who these "some" really are we do not know.

Zahed Matar

Cosmonauts set record

MOSCOW, Nov 12, (Agencies): Two Soviet cosmonauts aboard the space station MIR broke the world's 326-day space endurance record today and are on target to stay up a full year until Dec 21, Tass said.

Commander Vladimir Titov, 41, has lost two kg (4.4 pounds) in weight and co-pilot Musa Manarov, 37, has gained 1.5 kg (3.3 pounds), but generally "the functioning of their organisms is within norm," Tass said.

The Soviet Union will make a second attempt to launch its version of the space shuttle on Nov 15 and pre-launch preparations at the Baikonur cosmodrome in central Asia have already started.

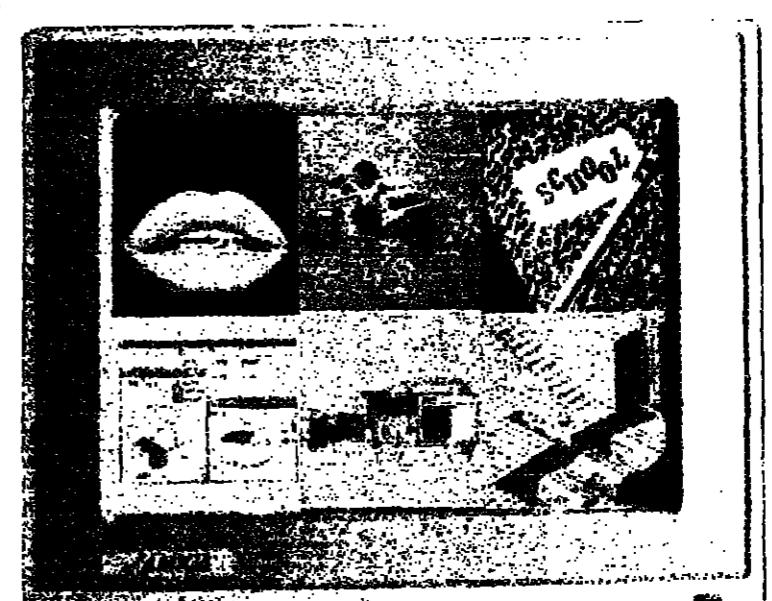
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Philippine rebel leader escapes from detention

MANILA, Nov 12, (Reuters): The head of the communist rebel Army in the Philippines escaped today from a Manila military camp where he had been held for more than seven months, military sources said.

The sources said Romulo Kintanar, commander-in-chief of the New People's Army (NPA), escaped with his wife who was being held with him in a stockade at the national police headquarters at Camp Crame.

Search

Constabulary chief Major General Ramon Montano ordered an immediate search for the couple, the sources, who asked not to be named, said.

As chief of the NPA, Kintanar, was ranked third highest rebel leader in the country at the time of his arrest, after the Communist Party chairman and the party secretary-general.

The Army say Kintanar, who commanded an estimated 25,000 guerrillas, fighting a 19-year insurgency war, organised the guerrillas' "sparrow" assassination squads blamed for the killing of more than 100 soldiers and policemen in Manila during the past two years.

Permission

The sources said Kintanar and his wife escaped after receiving permission to visit an Army officer living in another part of the camp.

Kintanar and his wife were escorted by at least one soldier when they left the stockade, the sources said. The Army was checking reports the two escaped in a car apparently waiting for them inside the camp.

They added that the two military officers and two enlisted men in charge of their custody were under investigation.

Kintanar and his wife, and alleged guerrilla herself, were arrested on March 29 along with five other high-ranking rebels, including Communist Party Secretary-General Rafael Baylosis and central committee member Benjamin de Vera.

Baylosis, de Vera and the others remain in detention.

People launch hunger strike to demand release of the detained

Police clash with demonstrators in Poland

WARSAW, Nov 12, (Agencies): About 80 people launched a hunger strike today in a cathedral in southern Poland to demand the release of demonstrators detained at a rally to mark the 70th anniversary of the rebirth of the Polish state, opposition spokesman said.

More than 50 people were detained and at least seven severely beaten in the southern city of Katowice when police charged a crowd gathered in front of the cathedral of Jesus Christ the King for a rally last evening said Dorota Switon, a Solidarity spokeswoman in Katowice.

Realised

About midnight about 250 people ran into the cathedral for shelter and some of them began a hunger strike when they realised they could not leave without being attacked by police, opposition spokesman said.

Police spokesman Zygmunt Lenyk said by telephone from Krakow.

The hunger strikers demand the release of those detained by police during a rally in Katowice, punishment for police who beat protesters, and written assurances that the people now in the cathedral will not face repression once the action is over, Lenyk said.

Katowice is 285 kilometres (180 miles) southwest of Warsaw.

Police remain outside the cathedral, Switon said and a bishop from Katowice, requesting anonymity, said he saw "no immediate prospects" for ending the hunger strike.

The bishop said police allowed some people who declined to join the hunger strike to leave the cathedral in the morning.

The hunger strike followed a long evening of clashes as police

using batons, tear gas and water cannons, dispersed demonstrators in at least five major cities following independent rallies to mark the anniversary.

Beat

Riot police beat marchers with batons and used water cannon to break up an anti-communist march by about 5,000 people in the Polish port of Gdansk late yesterday, opposition sources said.

Police dispersed rallies in the western city of Poznan and in Katowice in the south and at least one woman was taken to hospital, the sources said.

About 15,000 people marched unhindered through Warsaw chanting anti-government slogans and singing freedom songs carrying banners supporting the banned Solidarity trade union. Police prevented a later

march by about 1,000 youths.

Marches and rallies elsewhere, including gatherings of 10,000 in the southern cities of Krakow and Wroclaw, passed off peacefully, the sources said.

In Gdansk, where Solidarity was born amid strikes there in 1980, police wearing helmets and wielding long white batons moved in on the crowd after youths threw stones at them.

The official news agency PAP said the youths tore up paving stones, set fire to garbage bins and threw stones at police.

It did not say if the police had made any arrests or if anyone had been hurt.

Subjugation

The crowd marched after a mass at St. Mary's Basilica church of the anniversary of Poland's re-emergence as an independent state after 123 years of subjugation to Austria, Prussia

and Russia.

Police also dispersed crowds in Poznan and there were some minor clashes, the opposition sources said. It was not clear if anyone was arrested or hurt.

Want

In Warsaw, marchers chanted "we want Lech not Wojciech" in support of Solidarity leader Lech Walesa and against Poland's communist leader General Wojciech Jaruzelski. They held a rally at the tomb of the union soldier where Jaruzelski earlier attended sombre official celebrations.

Riot police kept out of sight in what veteran observers said was the biggest unofficial demonstration in the city centre in five years but chased away about 1,000 youths after the main crowd dispersed. There were some minor scuffles.

War may resume, says Rafsanjani

NICOSIA, Nov 12, (AP): Iranian Speaker of Parliament Hashemi Rafsanjani said today that the current situation of "no war, no peace" in the Gulf war was not acceptable and without peace the fighting will resume, Iranian radio reported.

Rafsanjani, also acting commander of the armed forces was quoted as saying: "We must either achieve peace or return to war. The present situation is unacceptable."

The third round of peace talks since the United Nations-brokered ceasefire went into effect on Aug 20 ended yesterday with no significant progress in consolidating the truce.

Rafsanjani also strongly criticised Iraq for the deadlock in the Geneva talks, according to a Tehran Radio report monitored in Nicosia.

Threats

He urged the military and para-military forces which fought in the war with Iraq, to be prepared in the event of a resumption of hostilities. Officials in Iran have made similar threats since the ceasefire began.

Iranian Prime Minister Hus-

sein Musavi, meanwhile, indicated yesterday the Islamic Republic is moderating its isolationist stance in favour of a more pragmatic foreign policy.

In an interview broadcast on state-run television one day after Iran restored relations with Britain, Musavi said: "Wherever our interests demand, we will restore our relations."

Restored

"As with any other country, Iran's relations with other countries are based on self-interest," he said.

In recent months Tehran has restored relations with France, after a year's break, and with Canada, which shut down its Tehran embassy in 1980 after diplomats there sheltered several Americans and smuggled them to safety.

Ties with Italy and West Germany are also being improved.

At the same time, Iran is seeking to boost relations with the Soviet Union, whose senior Foreign Undersecretary, Alexander Bessmenniykh, is visiting Tehran this week. Iran has also said it is ready to restore ties with Saudi Arabia.

When an angry policeman saw them in the village, Miss Long and Copp rushed down a hill and a Thai who was hired to navigate the boat started the engine, but stopped when the policeman ordered him to do so.

The Thai was released quickly.

But Miss Long and Copp said they were kept in the village for a day, then moved to Pakse for a few days stay before being flown to Vientiane.

Upon landing, they were put in a jeep with two men who blindfolded them. They were driven into the garage of what they later found out was the immigration building, a five minute walk from the US embassy.

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Conti dies

FIESOLE, Italy, Nov 12, (AP): Primo Conti, a painter who was the last major figure of Italy's futurist movement, died this morning at the age of 88, Italian news agencies reported.

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Abu Nidal's conviction upheld

ROME, Nov 12, (AP): An appeals court yesterday upheld the conviction of Abu Nidal and two other Palestinian guerrillas for a 1985 attack that killed 16 people at Rome's main airport, television stations reported.

The Rome Court of Appeals confirmed the life sentences imposed in February on Abu Nidal and Rashid Al Hamida, described as one of Nidal's top lieutenants. Both men are fugitives.

The court also upheld the 30-year sentence given to Mahmoud Ibrahim Khaled, the only defendant in custody.

More than 80 people were injured in the grenade and rifle assault on the check-in counters of TWA, the New York-based airline, and El Al, the Israeli carrier, at Leonardo da Vinci airport on the morning of Dec 27, 1985.

Four people, including two terrorists, died in the Vienna attack, and 47 others were injured.

Former Czech leader Dubcek arrives in Italy

BOLOGNA, Italy, Nov 12, (AP): Former Czechoslovak leader Alexander Dubcek, ousted after a Soviet-led invasion in 1968, expressed shock today when he walked into the Western media spotlight on his first foreign visit for 18 years.

"This is an absolute catastrophe," Dubcek said with a laugh to his Italian interpreter as he was ambushed by dozens of photographers and journalists waiting outside the lift in a Bologna hotel.

Dubcek, 66, has lived quietly for most of the two decades since a Warsaw Pact invasion crushed his "Prague Spring" reforms. He slipped into this central Italian city late yesterday after driving from Czechoslovakia via Austria.

Concert

Dubcek, who has said he will give no interviews and has no plans for meeting with Italian government leaders, was in Italy to receive an honorary political science degree, and make an address, at Bologna University tomorrow.

He was due to attend a concert at the 900-year-old university in his first public appearance later

Openness

He said his programme in Bologna was organised by the university. Asked why his wife did not accompany him, he said she was ill.

In interviews with the Western press, he has praised Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev's "perestroika" reforms, comparing them to his own "Prague Spring."

Court orders use of IDs in polls

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govern a Muslim nation. Others, such as former Prime Minister Mohammad Khan Junejo, disagree.

Hoarse and suntanned after days of outdoor campaigning, Benazir told frenzied supporters to keep calm on polling day.

"We are afraid of violence and vandalism," she told reporters. "We appeal to our people to remain calm and cool-headed whatever the provocation."

Benazir said the bureaucrats administering the vote counting were paid by the state and not by political parties and she felt confident they would try and ensure a fair election.

Acting President Ghulam Ishaq Khan has put judges in charge of the voting, pledging to make the election fair.

Benazir, who has been mobbed by huge crowds during her Punjab tour, said she had been trying unsuccessfully to contact IDA leaders to arrange public debates.

She has challenged the IDA to discuss Pakistan's nuclear programme with her on television. One IDA leader, Nawaz Sharif, has accepted the challenge, but said they should also discuss her brother Murtaza's alleged links to a plane hijacking.

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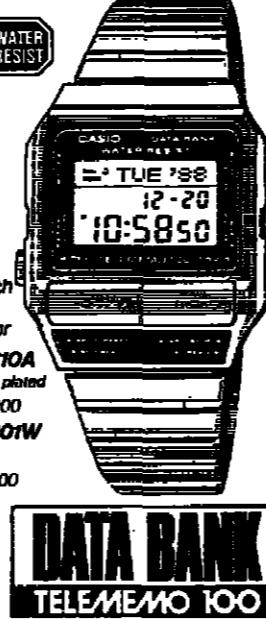
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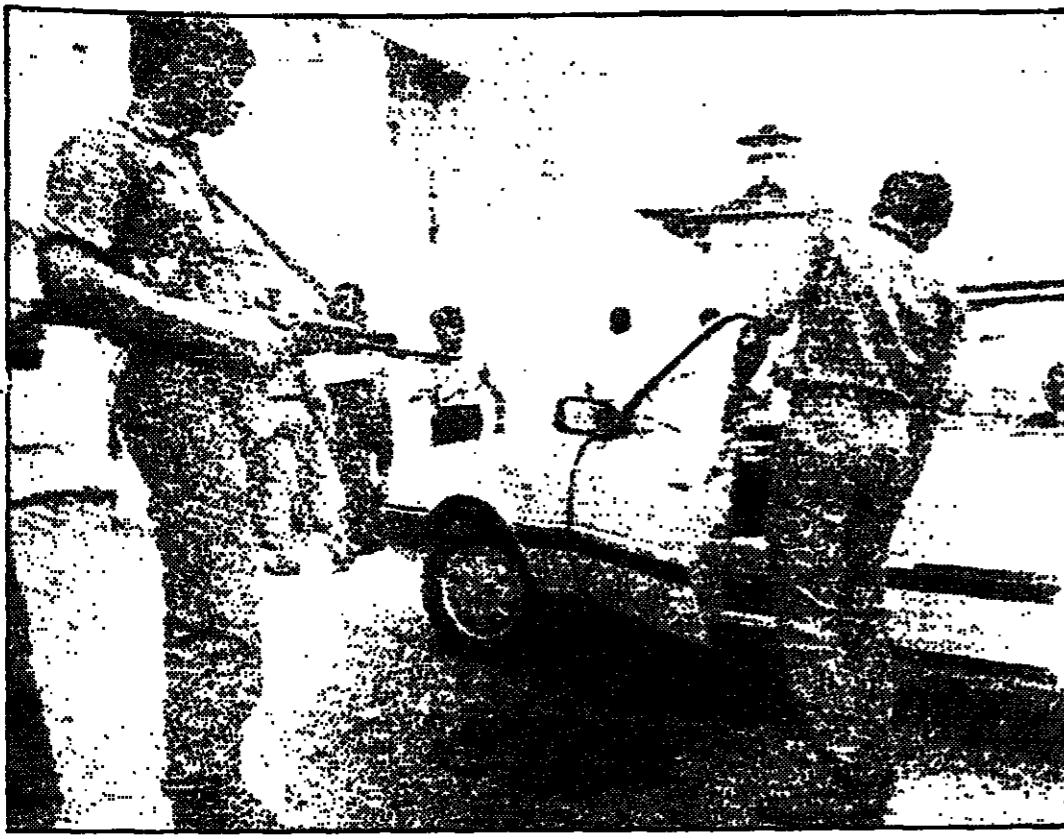
NORWICH, England, Nov 12, (AP): A confidence man posing as a representative of the Sultan of Brunei tricked the Royal Air Force into giving him a test flight on one of Queen Elizabeth II's personal jets and ordered planes worth £120 million (\$217 million), a court was told.

Peter Kersey, an unemployed ex-convict, pleaded guilty yesterday at Norwich Crown Court to eight charges of deception and obtaining monetary advantage involving more than £400,000 (\$724,000) and asked for four similar offences to be taken into consideration.

Firebomb attack

JOHANNESBURG, Nov 12, (Reuters): Arsonists firebombed the office of South Africa's anti-apartheid white students' union today, damaging a hall where Archbishop Desmond Tutu was expected to appear later in the day, student leaders said.

The early morning attack wrecked the head office of the National Union of South African Students (NUSAS), housed in Johannesburg's university of the Witwatersrand. The reward has been pledged by 21 Republican congressmen and some private citizens.



Armed soldiers check a vehicle outside a telegraph office in downtown Colombo. (Reuter wirephoto)

Fuel workers strike in Sri Lanka

Sinhalese face food shortage

COLOMBO, Nov 12, (AP): Towns in the Sinhalese heartland faced serious food shortages today because of a strike by fuel workers, a government official said, as workers defied a decree threatening some strikers with the death penalty.

About 2,500 employees of the Ceylon Petroleum Corp., the island nation's only supplier of gasoline, walked off the job on Monday in response to a four-day strike called by the People's Liberation Front. The Sinhalese extremist group is demanding the resignation of President Junius Jayewardene.

Many of the fuel workers were still not back on duty by today, despite an emergency decree issued by Jayewardene on Friday providing for death by hanging

for strike instigators and those refusing to report for work in "essential services" sectors, such as fuel and transportation.

Jayewardene today appealed to people to refrain from supporting anti-government extremists.

"The recent disturbances have had adverse effects on economic and development plans of the country," he said, while presiding over the opening of a new terminal at Colombo's international airport, 25 kilometres north of the capital, near the village of Katumayankale.

Sufficient food has been sent to the southern port town of Galle, but gasoline shortages have prevented distribution to other towns in the region, food commissioner Graham Dissayne said today.

Senior officials, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said the government intended the emergency decree as a deterrent and hoped it would not be necessary to resort to capital punishment to stop strikes.

P. M. Hamza, general manager of the Ceylon Petroleum Corp., said the decree applied to his workers, since the corporation had been declared essential.

He said "a large number" of his employees had returned to work, and he expected others to report shortly, although he could not give any figures.

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All mynahs entered for the contest in the sea carnival in Lumut, 200 kilometres northwest of here, will have to be tested by a "censorship board" before being allowed to take part, said a report in The Star newspaper.

Perak State Wildlife and National Parks deputy director Tajuddin Mohamed Talha told The Star owners of the birds will also be asked if their pets spoke foul language since royalty, women and children would be watching the contest.

Tajuddin said birds speaking in Malay would be given bonus points.

Iraq frees woman after jailed Swede

STOCKHOLM, Nov 12, (Reuter): Iraqi Vice-President Taha Ma'rout said today his government had released a Swedish businessman jailed for life in Baghdad.

The businessman, Wolfgang Granlund, was arrested in January last year and convicted of espionage and currency violations.

"I have the pleasure to announce that Mr Granlund... has been released and handed over to the Swedish embassy in Baghdad," Ma'rout said in a statement just before ending a three-day working visit.

He said Granlund was granted a special amnesty by Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

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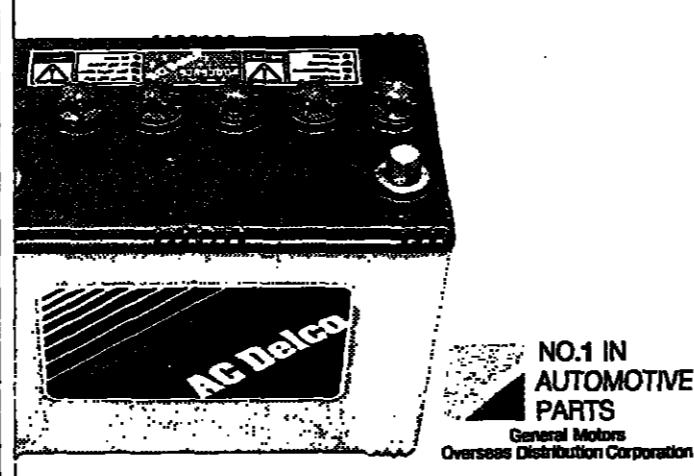
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Aoun to try rival Army chief

BEIRUT, Nov 12, (UPI): Army commander Maj. Gen. Michel Aoun said as Army chief, he will court-martial in absentia a Sunni Muslim officer for accepting an appointment, by a rival pro-Syrian cabinet.

Aoun also launched a scathing attack on US Assistant Secretary of State Richard Murphy, accusing him of being "an incompetent person" who has failed to help resolve the ongoing political stalemate.

Aoun said Brigadier General Sami Al Khatib will be tried by a military court on charges of accepting a position "which endangers the country's unity and falls within schemes aimed at partition."

Boycott

The cabinet decided to take all legal measures to refer Brig. Gen. Sami Al Khatib to the special judicial authorities according to military laws," said Aoun, who was appointed as the head of six-man military cabinet by former President Amin Gemayel.

Aoun also lashed out at Murphy, describing him as "a man of failure."

"He failed and he should acknowledge his failure, because he insists on saying there are two governments in Lebanon... I am surprised that a senior official of the US State Department cannot properly read the laws and the constitution," Aoun said, when asked about recent mediation

efforts by Murphy to resolve the crisis.

He was alluding to a reported agreement between the United States and Syria to back a compromise presidential candidate, Maronite politician Mikhail Al Daher. The agreement was reached during Murphy's visit to Syria in September.

Aoun had swiftly rebuffed "choosing a president abroad," and the Christian militia boss, Samir Geagea, accused Al Daher of having plans to expand the Syrian military deployment in Lebanon.

Void

Lebanon has been without a president since Sept. 23, when Gemayel left office under a constitutional deadline. Parliament failed twice to elect a successor to Gemayel, who set up Aoun's cabinet in a last attempt to fill the constitutional void.

The pro-Syrian Muslim camp has refused to recognise the military leadership as legitimate, and considered Gemayel's move as a military coup.

The ministry also said Lebanon's Ambassador to the United Nations, Rashid Fakhoury, was asked "to seek help from international circles to exert pressure on Israel to treat Soha Fawaz Bishara in accordance with the Geneva conventions."

High-tech ship signal replaces Morse

LONDON, Nov 12, (AP): World shipping leaders gave the go-ahead on Friday for the introduction of new, automatic communications that will mean the end of the Morse code for ships at sea.

The decision represents "one of the biggest advances in maritime communications since the introduction of radio," said a statement issued after a conference of shipping officials.

The new communications system, called the Global Maritime Distress and Safety System, transmits and receives automatically, so having the ability to transmit a Morse code will no longer be a requirement for ships.

Shipowners are expected to phase out radio operators when the new equipment is installed in ships, starting in 1993.

Some parts of the new technology, which includes satellite communications, already are in use on British ships and, after 1999, they will be rewired on ships worldwide.

The decision was made at a two-week conference in London of the International Maritime Organisation, a United Nations agency that oversees the safety of shipping and tries to prevent ships from polluting the seas.

The 66 countries represented account for about 97 per cent of the world's ships, said spokesman Roger Kahn.

The new system allows the crew to send a distress signal by pushing a button, which should prevent ships disappearing without a trace when messages could not be sent in time.

Ships also will carry a radio beacon, which will give the ship's position and must be able to float free if the ship sinks suddenly.

Sakharov warns against perestroika

NEW YORK, Nov 12 (UPI): Human rights activist Andrei Sakharov, making his first visit to the West, has warned against complacent acceptance of recent Soviet reforms, saying events in his homeland must be watched with a wary eye.

Speaking at a reception in his honour at the New York Academy of Sciences, the Soviet physicist and Nobel peace prize winner said Mikhail Gorbachev's policies were being viewed with a mixture of excitement and fear in the Soviet Union.

Perestroika — Gorbachev's drive to restructure the Soviet economy and political system — should be supported but "this should be a support of a sober and demanding friend," he said.

"Gorbachev should be helped but critically," he said. "It refers not just to Gorbachev personally but to all the processes taking place in our country as well."

"One should not think that all of the problems have been already solved," he said. "The processes taking place in our country are very controversial and some of them are dangerous in some instances."

He said his country was "at the turning point."

"It is very important that the loftiest goals should not be squandered or forgotten in the process," he said.

Sakharov arrived this week on his first visit to the United States and his first trip out of his homeland in 30 years.

Moscow-Kabul military co-operation

Soviet official meets Najib

ISLAMABAD, Nov 12, (Reuter): Oleg Baklanov, secretary of the Soviet Communist Party central committee in charge of defence industries, arrived in Kabul on Friday and began talks with Afghan President Najibullah, Kabul Radio said.

The radio, monitored in Islamabad, gave no details of their discussions.

A Soviet spokesman in Moscow said earlier Baklanov's talks would cover military and economic issues.

Last week, the Kremlin announced that it had sent Soviet SS-1 short-range missiles to the Afghan Army in response to attacks on the capital by Muslim rebels.

Soviet officials said they hoped to reduce pressure by the guerrillas, who rely largely on the main road link with Pakistan was closed.

Security forces killed 340 rebels in the Shinwar area and 250 in the Khojamir area of Nangarhar and captured large quantities of arms and ammunition, official Kabul Radio said.

"The situation is now completely quiet in Jalalabad" after Thursday's fighting, said the broadcast monitored in Islamabad.

Government forces have been firing newly supplied long-range Soviet rockets at suspected rebel bases in Nangarhar province this month, but the rebels said there had been no major damage.

Fifteen such missiles, known in the West as Scuds, were fired from Kabul eastwards between Monday and Wednesday. Western diplomats in Islamabad said.

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United States and Pakistan for their arms.

The withdrawal of Soviet troops, half of which was completed by mid-August, was due to resume in the middle of this month but has been temporarily suspended because of a barrage of rebel attacks.

Soviet officials have said all Moscow's forces will still leave by the Feb 15 deadline.

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Chun, who left office in February after an iron-fisted seven-year rule, has come under severe criticism for his alleged involvement in major financial and other scandals.

Arrested today were Chun Kee-Hwan, 59, a brother of the ex-President, and Chun Woo-Hwan, 55, a cousin.

Prosecutors indicated that two brothers-in-law may be detained soon, also on corruption charges — Hong Soon-Doo, 47, and Lee Chang-Suk, 37.

The two Chuns arrested today were charged with taking bribes or diverting official funds after engineering a takeover of major wholesale fish processing and selling operation with the help of government officials loyal to the ex-President.

The arrests were made as part of the government's effort to uncover alleged corruption and misdeeds involving Chun, his family members and associates. The national assembly is currently looking into corruption charges against Chun.

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US helicopter crash kills all three crewmen

MANAMA, Nov 12. (Agencies): Investigators will try to determine why a US Navy helicopter crashed yesterday, killing all three crewmen, while preparing to land aboard a warship in the northern Arabian Sea, US officials said today.

Seven American military aircraft have crashed in the region in the last 19 months, leaving 12 Americans dead.

During those 19 months of expanded US naval operations to protect commercial shipping during the Iraq-Iran war, 49 Americans have been killed, including 37 aboard the missile frigate USS Stark, mistakenly hit by Iraqi missiles in May 1987.

Landing

Officials who asked not to be identified, said the SH-2F anti-submarine helicopter crashed before dawn yesterday while making a routine landing approach to the frigate USS Stark.

"They were coming in toward the ship, they called in and said they had some kind of a problem, and then the helo just went down and hit the water," said one

official.

The aircraft apparently sank immediately, as boats and other helicopters from the Barber, the aircraft carrier USS Nimitz and the missile cruiser USS California were unable to find any survivors or wreckage, the official said.

The crewmen were identified as the Pilot, Lieut. Cmdr. Gerald Pez, 37, of Coronado, California, Lieut. (J.G.) Gerald T. Ramsell of Ridgewood, New Jersey and Petty Officer William E. Martinie, 24, of Peoria, Illinois. Ramsell's age was not immediately known, a Navy spokesman said.

Searched

The three are "lost and presumed dead," a US Navy spokesman, Ken Mitchell, said in a statement from the North Island Naval Air Station in San Diego.

The three ships which searched the area for survivors are part of the US carrier battle group now operating in the Arabian Sea, in support of US forces inside the Gulf.

Kidney transplant woman gives birth to twins

A JORDANIAN woman living in Kuwait who underwent a kidney transplant three years ago gave birth to twins by Caesarean section a few days ago. The baby boy and girl are fine, said doctors.

The mother was discharged from the hospital yesterday.

Rare

Dr Mahmoud Samhan, director of the Hamed Al Issa Organ Transplant Centre, said it is rare for a former transplant patient to bear children with no major complications.

The woman received a kidney donated by her mother, he said.

The transplanted kidney is functioning normally, he added.

In a related development, a Kuwaiti woman gave birth to triplets — two girls and a boy — at the Maternity Hospital in Kuwait on Thursday. The mother and the babies are in good health, according to hospital sources.

Meanwhile, a Saudi woman

Ministry builds three centres

THE Ministry of Social Affairs has built three development centres in Fintas, Firdous and Ardhiya areas, according to the Assistant Undersecretary Dr Latifa Al Rujab.

She added that these centres are being furnished and are scheduled to open shortly. These centres will need additional manpower specialised in the fields of society development, she said.

Skills

The centre in Bayan area trained 190 girls in its different sections. The girls are taught skills such as typing and tailoring. The girls are given aid and donations from the Ministry of Social Affairs. The centre will also help students who have learnt typing to find jobs in the public sector.

Social

The official added that the centre has a big hall for weddings, festivals and other social events. Cultural and informational seminars were also held at the hall, she said.

She added that the girls' work will be displayed and sold. The girls will be given a share of the profits, Al Rujab said.

GCC war games successful so far

KUWAIT, Nov 12. (KUNA): All is well so far for the GCC Peninsula Falcon 2-88 manoeuvres which will continue through Tuesday the commander of Ahmed Al Jaber Aerial Base, Group Captain Sabti Bughaith said.

Bughaith said the participants have finished the first phase of the manoeuvres, which included air-to-air exercises.

In a press conference at the base today, he said that the first phase was successfully executed. All of the exercises were carried out according to schedule.

Methods

Bughaith noted that the Peninsula Falcon manoeuvres test the tactical capabilities of the participating fighters and pilots, and acquaint them with various combat methods.

He indicated that the exercises were planned during a GCC

Ration cards must be renewed once a year

By Lima Al Khalafawi

THE aircraft was assigned to helicopter Anti-Submarine Squadron 33 based at North Island.

The full-scale search launched in the aftermath of the crash was called off after only small pieces of debris were found, Mitchell said, but "the ships and aircraft in the area are still looking as part of their normal function."

Mitchell said the investigation into the cause of the crash will probably take several weeks.

The investigation will be conducted by the headquarters of Naval Air Pacific at San Diego, California.

Toll

In addition to the three presumed dead in yesterday's crash, the overall crash toll includes two US Marine pilots killed when their AH-1 Cobra helicopter gunship was lost, apparently due to hostile action by Iran, last April 18 and five killed in two helicopter mishaps in the Gulf last year.

The other two killed were pilots of a Navy carrier jet that crashed in the Arabian Sea during a training flight.

New customs inspectors honoured

GRADUATES of the first customs inspectors course organised by the Public Authority for Applied Education and Training in co-operation with the Public Customs Department, were honoured at a tea party at Zaben Festival Hall in the Roudha area.

Ibrahim Al Ghani, director of the Customs Department, welcomed the new graduates to the department.

He added that the department plans to organise similar training courses for inspectors with secondary school certificates.

Society wants smoking banned in public places

KUWAIT, Nov 12. (KUNA): The Kuwait Society for Combating Smoking and Cancer is asking officials to ban smoking in public places.

Citizens who deal with these contractors could find themselves the victims of fraudulent practices, he said.

He appealed to citizens to abide by regulations which stipulate that the contractor must be licenced by Kuwait Municipality and registered with Kuwait's Central Tenders Committee (CTC).

The municipality, in co-operation with the Ministries of Social Affairs and Labour and Interior is planning to ban unlicensed contractors.

He told KUNA that the society is also asking officials to ban cigarette advertisements in newspapers and in streets.

Al Mourani affirmed that issuing such decisions would not harm individual freedom, but

who leave the country. RATION cards will now have to be renewed every year, according to Abdulla Al Mulla, director of the Consumer Protection Department at the Ministry of Commerce and Industry.

The cards had been issued with a validity of five years on payment of KDS. But, according to new regulations, these cards will have to be renewed on a yearly basis. No additional charges will have to be paid.

Records

Al Mulla said that the annual renewal is seen as a measure to maintain up-to-date records of people benefitting from the card and cancelling the names of those

who leave the country.

He added that rations will be provided to people who have a valid residence permit of at least three months. Those, whose residence permits are valid for less than three months will have to obtain permission from the Consumer Protection Department until their residence is renewed.

Subsidised

Al Mulla denied that the prices of rice and sugar have increased and said that these items are still subsidised by the government.

In principle, there is no intention to increase prices. However, if and when there is an increase, the public will be given advance notice.

Agreements

The company has signed agreements with Iraq, Jordan and Egypt, and stressed the need for additional agreements between the rest of the Arab countries.

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Thought for today

A NAIL is driven out by another nail; habit is overcome by habit — Erasmus, Dutch scholar (about 1466-1536)

Benazir's train tour

Station-master's nightmare

By Ibrahim Khan

SADIQABAD, Pakistan. (Reuters): It was a station-master's nightmare.

First the Khyber Mail arrived six hours late. Then thousands of people beating drums and waving flags swamped his station.

The cause of the commotion was the arrival of Pakistani opposition leader Benazir Bhutto.

Travelling by train, the 35-year-old politician made life difficult for station masters — from Karachi on the coast to Rawalpindi in the north — as she drew crowds at campaign rallies last week for the Nov 16 general election.

Tens of thousands of supporters of her Pakistan People's Party (PPP) mobbed her train at halts along the line, waving her portrait and the party's red, black and green flag.

At Sadqabad, midway between Karachi and Lahore, supporters swarmed onto carriages, pulled the emergency chain, and refused to let the train go. The guard flagged his green flag angrily and the engine-driver whistled in vain.

Danced

The crowd let off firecrackers, chanted and danced on the platform and refused to climb down from carriage roofs.

Police resorted to mild baton charges to get the train moving again.

Women, who lead sheltered lives in small, rural towns in Pakistan, carried their babies to see Benazir.

Standing at the open carriage door, Benazir urged the crowd to mark the PPP electoral symbol, an arrow, on their polling papers.

"Victory to Benazir," the crowd sang.

Peasants in the green sugar-cane and rice fields of Sind and Punjab broke off harvesting to wave. Women in the all-enveloping "burqa" veil worn by strict Muslims joined the crowds.

About 150 people travelled on the roof. They were undeterred when the mail switched from diesel to electric near the town of Multan.

Two were killed by a low-hung cable bridge. But the deaths did not diminish the warmth of the welcome from an estimated 30,000 people at Multan.

Inside her air-conditioned carriage, there was little rest for

Ecuador's jails full of prisoners

By David Brough

QUITO, (Reuters): Filthy and overcrowded, Ecuador's jails are crammed with people who have not been convicted of any crime, according to government and legal officials as well as human rights activists.

Interior Minister Andres Vallejo told a recent news conference the situation was intolerable.

He said the New Social Democratic government of President Rodrigo Borja, who took office in August, would try to reduce the number of people in jail who have not been convicted.

Deputy Interior Minister Luis Felix said in an interview that 70 per cent of Ecuador's prisoners had been charged but not yet tried or sentenced. Many could not afford a lawyer, and all face a lengthy legal process, aggravated by a shortage of judges.

Brutal

Elsie Monge, head of the Ecumenical Commission on Human Rights (CEDHU), said prisoners endured intolerable conditions ranging from inadequate plumbing, to poor diets, to corrupt and sometimes brutal guards.

According to CEDHU, the main independent rights group in Ecuador, prisoners on average waited two-and-a-half years in jail before sentencing, and had no legal safeguards to ensure that they'd be released when they had served their time.

"Some people have no one to help them get out," said Monge. "Many times they (friends and family) have to insist on their release."

Monge cited a case of a man

2,400 tons of toxic waste discovered

War-torn Lebanon hit by chemical dumping

By Donna Abu-Nasr

BEIRUT, Lebanon. (AP): Lebanon, ravaged for 13 years by civil war, is the latest Third World country hit by the dumping of chemical waste from Western Europe.

At least 2,400 tons of chemical waste from Italy, which Lebanese officials say was "toxic and dangerous," were discovered last May in the mountains of Kesrouan province in the Christian heartland about 20 miles (32 kms) north of Beirut. An Italian official asserted that the material was not toxic.

The discovery forced the cancellation of another shipment of 30,000 tons of Italian waste destined for Lebanon, justice ministry sources reported.

The affair is one of several that have recently surfaced in

African, Middle Eastern and Latin American countries where Europe has unloaded its industrial waste. Distant countries can be attractive dumping grounds, because of the high economic and political cost of toxic-waste disposal within Europe.

Accused

Lebanon's leftist newspapers and radio stations accused the Lebanese Forces, the Christians' main militia, of allowing the industrial waste to be brought into the country through a port they control in Beirut harbour. The claims said the militia was paid \$10 million to dump the waste.

But Caesar Nasr, head of the Lebanese Forces' Foreign Relations Department, said "what happened was a stupid mistake which resulted from ignorance."

The manifest of the Czech freighter Radhost which carried

the waste to the Lebanese Force's port, known as the Fifth Basin, in October last year listed the cargo as "chemical residue and agricultural products."

Nasr said the militia's "customs officers" at the Fifth Basin "didn't have the scientific background to realize the significance of industrial residue." He blamed "unscrupulous Lebanese merchants" for bringing in the waste, and said the militia later moved the waste back to the Fifth Basin.

Attilio Massimo Iannucci, a first secretary at the Italian embassy in Beirut, said the drums contain solvents, paint and plastics products.

Residue

"It's very dirty because if it's the residue of chemical waste ... but it's not toxic, explosive or radioactive," he said in an interview.

Lebanese officials said Adonis

was a "fictitious company," apparently a front for the import of the chemicals.

Iannucci said Adonis undertook to destroy the chemicals for a "huge sum of money" to be paid after disposal.

Dump

"Instead, they dumped it in Lebanon and presented an official document claiming it had been disposed of to get the money," Iannucci said. The documents proved to be forged.

Roger Haddad, director of maritime operations with the Nasser Shipping Co., and four other Christian businessmen linked to Adonis were arrested for importing toxic waste in the case and endangering lives. They were later released.

A warrant has also been issued in the affair for Armand Nassar, owner of the shipping company and a relative of Haddad. Nassar

left Lebanon earlier this year.

Toxic waste from Italy has turned up in several countries and the Rome government, embarrassed by the scandals, said it will ban toxic waste shipments to the Third World.

Another ship carrying 9,000 drums of toxic waste, which Jelly Wax had tried to send to Djibouti, Venezuela and Syria last year, is in Genoa, unable to land its potentially deadly cargo because the Italians refuse to allow it ashore.

The West German freighter Karin B, loaded with 2,100 tons of Italian waste originally dumped in Nigeria, has been wandering the Mediterranean and Atlantic since June seeking somewhere to land its cargo.

It has been refused entry to 10 ports in Britain, France, Spain, West Germany — and Italy.

Baker gets what he wants

By Barry Schwedt

WASHINGTON, (AP): Fred Barnes, an astute political analyst, calls James A. Baker "Mr Shmoose" and describes him in a recent profile in New Republic magazine as America's most overrated man.

Barnes acknowledges that Baker was a capable White House chief of staff and a skillful campaign operative. "But," Barnes says in the liberal publication, "he has mastered the cynical trick of identifying himself with successes and disassociating himself from blunders."

Barnes cited Baker's timing in signing on as chief of George Bush's 1988 campaign just as it was about to surge and avoid blame for a big tax increase and lack of success in trimming the trade deficit as treasury secretary.

"I am encouraged by your support," she told the crowds. "It is the flood of the people."

The anti-PPP alliance, Benazir's main rival in the polls, says its supporters will carry the day on Nov 16.

Campaigning by this Islamic Democratic Alliance (IDA) has gathered steam in the last few days, its flag and electoral symbol of a bicycle are visible on cars, walls and lamp-posts, though not in such volume as the PPP.

Contest

No reliable national opinion poll have been published for next week's elections, the first to be contested for 11 years. But the election is widely seen as a straight contest between the PPP and the IDA.

One limited poll conducted in Lahore and published on Tuesday had Benazir's party slightly trailing the anti-PPP alliance, but Benazir herself was most popular choice as prime minister.

Whatever the outcome, she has drawn crowds to her whistlestop train tours.

Some passengers, however, got fed up with the delays waiting for Benazir, and got off to complete their journeys by road. But pickpockets had a field day.

His background in foreign policy is limited. He has never been to the Soviet Union or to the Middle East, with the exception of Saudi Arabia. His views on US



President-elect George Bush (left) and James Baker, the man Bush named as his secretary of state. (Reuter wirephoto)

relations with Moscow and on the Israeli-Arab dispute are unknown.

His political skills are not.

Baker played a key and possibly critical role in 1981 in winning the Senate's approval for the Saudis to purchase advanced radar planes from the United States. Baker offered vague legal assurances that Israel's security would be safeguarded in order to entice a handful of wavering Republican to the White House's side.

It was one of the few arms sales battles any administration has managed to win over Israel's supporters.

Baker is experienced in international economics, has travelled to 17 countries and regularly attended National Security Council meetings at the White House as Reagan's chief of staff and as treasury secretary.

The skills of persuasion with which he is credited by Barnes and other political observers could be a valuable asset in diplomacy. Personal relations often smooth the way for strategic objectives.

But clearly Baker's biggest asset is his close tie to Bush, who will be in charge of foreign policy. Baker should not have any problems figuring out what the boss has in mind. Nor is he likely to be harassed by the White House or National Security Council.

The three-quarters-of-a-mile (1.2 kms) from the State Department to the White House has seemed a much greater distance to some recent secretaries of state.

At work in their office on the seventh floor, they've sometimes had to wonder what sort of advice the President was getting from the NSC or from White House staffers.

Cyrus Vance frequently clashed over policy with Zbigniew Brzezinski, who was President Jimmy Carter's security adviser. The disagreements contributed to Vance's decision to resign in April 1980, although the main reason was Carter's attempt to rescue American hostages in Iran through an unworkable military operation.

In simplest terms, that reduces the competition to Bush.

Chairmanship

Ron Brown, a Washington lawyer, Jackson's convention manager and a volunteer adviser to Dukakis, expects to seek the chairmanship. At least four other Democrats are prospective candidates.

While Jackson isn't saying so yet, he will be at work for Brown.

Jackson allies were named to a dozen at-large committee seats as part of a harmony pact with Dukakis at the Democratic Convention in Atlanta. One of the new committee members is Jesse Jackson Jr.

More important, delegate

selection rules have been amended to Jackson's potential advantage in 1992. In a convention

camping deal, the Dukakis camp agreed to rules that will award future nominating votes strictly on the basis of proportional representation of the popular vote.

In simplest terms, that reduces the convention clout of office

New rules, new role may help Jackson in 1992

By Walter R. Mears

WASHINGTON, (AP): In the ashes of a lost Democratic presidential campaign, Jesse Jackson heads toward the next one strengthened by new rules and congressional reappointment in 1991. "There's a lot to do, a lot of meaningful work, and I intend to be involved, right in the heart of it," said Jackson.

That involvement flows inexorably toward a third quest for the Democratic Party's presidential nomination in 1992. Jackson's voter registration efforts for the Dukakis ticket will pay dividends, too.

An initial test of his strength in party councils will come early next winter, when the Democratic National Committee elects a new chairman, or extends the tenure of Paul Kirk, who had planned to leave the post but may stay on temporarily for the sake of party peace.

That surely will be ample competition, with Democratic names like Sen Bill Bradley, New York Gov Mario Cuomo, Sen Sam Nunn, Sen Al Gore and Congressmen Richard Gephardt. Even as Gov Michael Dukakis conceded his loss to president-elect George Bush his supporters were chanting "ninety-two, ninety-two."

Concessions

Whatever the field, the standing Jackson won in 1988 and the rules concessions he gained from Dukakis at the Democratic National Convention will make him more formidable next time.

Jackson says it is much too early to talk about 1992 politics.

"I have not yet made that decision, not even given it serious consideration," he said. That at least is the public posture.

But Jackson also said the new political season began on Wednesday, pointing to city elections in 1989, off-year elections in 1990

guerrillas who are battling to oust Britain from the north, involved Dublin for the first time in the daily running of the north in everything from cross-border security to law reforms.

With both governments now embarked on an extensive review of the workings of the agreement, just how successful has it been in healing the wounds on an island partitioned by Britain in 1921?

"Anglo-Irish relations are in good shape," British Foreign Secretary Sir Geoffrey Howe said last week on his first visit to Ireland in three years.

The accord, aimed at isolating Irish Republican Army (IRA)

land Britain and in Northern Ireland.

The Dublin government argues that an essential aim of the Anglo-Irish accord, signed on Nov 15, 1985, was to boost the confidence of Irish nationalists in Northern Ireland's system of justice.

It has pushed — so far unsuccessfully — for the abolition of the north's one-judge, no-jury courts.

Lenihan argued that Dublin has an ideal model — the anti-terrorist special criminal court which was set up in 1971 with a panel of three judges and no jury. "In our experience, the system has worked very well," he said.

Britain and Ireland are often locked in legal combat over extradition cases and Lenihan is now pushing for both sides to make more use of a 1976 act which allows people accused of crimes in either jurisdiction to be tried in the jurisdiction where they are arrested.

Lenihan said: "It's a question of getting across the fact that extradition and the 1976 act can travel together in parallel or in tandem."

But Howe was more cautious, saying: "It is not a substitute for extradition. It may be a more fruitful alternative in some circumstances but not a substitute."

Both governments are now taking a long, hard look at the workings of the agreement to see how it can be improved but there is one major voice missing from the consultations.

Unionists' politicians representing the north's Protestant majority were enraged by the signing of the accord.

Unionists, condemning it as a British government sellout on the road to unification with the Irish Republic, launched furious street protests against the accord.

TODAY IN HISTORY

1511 — Britain's King Henry VIII joins Holy League and enters European politics.

1553 — Lady Jane Grey and others are tried for treason in England.

1781 — Dutch settlement at Negapatam, Madras, is captured by British.

1893 — Britain agrees to annexation of Swaziland by the Transvaal.

1913 — Greece and Turkey sign peace treaty.

1918 — Republic of Austria is proclaimed; Russia annuls treaty of Brest-Litovsk.

1942 — British forces retake Tobruk in World War II: US troops beat off Japanese at Guadalcanal.

1945 — Sukarno becomes President of Indonesia.

1950 — Tibet appeals to United Nations against Chinese aggression.

1961 — Congo government asks

Camelot fairy tale ended on November 22, 1963

Jackie: writing her own happy ending

A quarter-century after her husband John F. Kennedy was assassinated, and a dozen years after she was widowed once again, Jackie Kennedy Onassis has settled into a life-style of quiet elegance and privacy.

By Jerry Schwartz

NEW YORK, (AP): In fairy tales, the beautiful princess marries the handsome prince and they live happily ever after. But Jacqueline Bouvier Kennedy Onassis' fairy tale short-circuited on a warm day in Dallas when her pink suit was splattered with her prince's blood. In the ensuing 25 years, she has had to write her own happy ending.

The plot twists she has chosen have not been popular with the adoring multitudes who would have preferred that she remain the national widow. Her 1968 marriage to Greek shipping tycoon Aristotle Onassis engendered outrage, and her penchant for privacy has bred some resentment.

But once a year, she kneels alone at Arlington National Cemetery. And once again she becomes the stoic, black-veiled

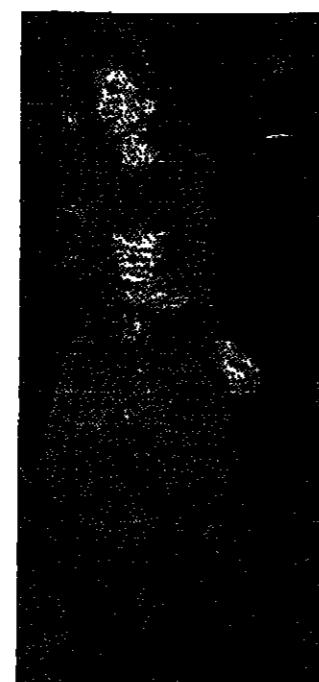
widow who stood at that spot in November 1963 to bury her husband, President John F. Kennedy.

"One must not let oneself be overwhelmed by sadness," she once said.

It is important to remember what Jackie Kennedy was to America and to the world. She was the glamorous, whispery-voiced blonde whose appearance caused as much commotion as her husband's — so much so that he laughingly introduced himself as Jackie's escort.

She was the fashion plate whose designer dresses, pillbox hats and white gloves spurred the fashion industry as much as her hatless husband wounded the fedora trade.

"We are on the threshold of a new American elegance thanks to Mrs Kennedy's beauty, naturalness, understatement, exposure and symbolism," said



Stepping out in style: the glamorous blonde whose appearance caused as much commotion as her husband's

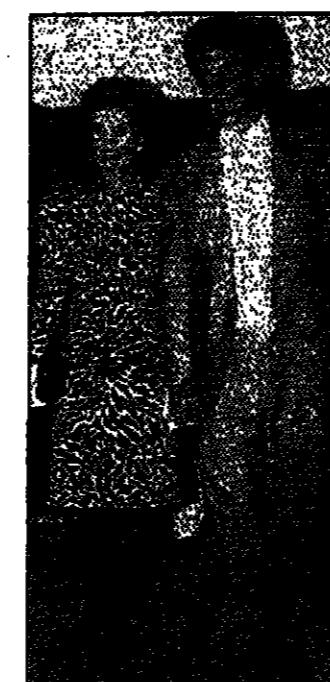
Oleg Cassini, her official designer.

She was the young hostess of a televised tour of the White House, the graduate of Miss Porter's School and Vassar who said her prime responsibility was to "take care of the president so he can best serve the people." She was 36 years old when JFK died, a striking contrast to her matronly predecessors, Bess Truman and Mamie Eisenhower.

Most of all, she was Mistress of Camelot.

She forfeited that title when she married Onassis, the aging Greek who seemed the antithesis of the elegant Kennedy. Many said she was a gold-digger; she never explained the marriage publicly, never responded to such headlines as "Jackie: how could you?"

"She, by surviving and being with him (JFK) when he died, so dramatically, became a legend in her own lifetime," said a friend, Paul Mathias. "And she cannot live up to it



Jackie with her son John Kennedy Jr.: one must not let oneself be overwhelmed by sadness, she says

because no human being could."

The marriage founded quickly, and Ari and Jackie lived separate lives. When he died in 1975, he left her \$120,000 in his will; she won a \$26 million settlement from the Onassis family.

At the same time, stories about JFK's escapades while he was president began to spread — stories about alleged liaisons with Marilyn Monroe and the mistress of mobster Sam Giancana. And others suggested that JFK's most lasting legacy was the war in Vietnam.

Camelot wasn't what it used to be.

With her millions, Jackie Onassis could have done absolutely nothing, enjoying her 14-room apartment in New York, her estate in Bernardsville, New Jersey, and the ocean-front compound on Martha's Vineyard while raising her two children, Caroline and John Jr.

Instead, she entered the job force in 1978 as an editor for Doubleday and Co. She works

there 3-1/2 days a week — producing ideas and acquiring books from authors and agents, then guiding the writing of manuscripts.

Her primary publishing interests are art and entertainment, never politics. Her best-sellers have included Michael Jackson's autobiography *Moonwalk* and ballerina Gelsey Kirkland's *Dancing on my Grave*.

"I think people who work themselves have respect for the work of others," she has said.

Her salary, reportedly \$40,000 - 50,000 a year, is a pittance of her net worth — estimated at around \$30 million, plus \$200,000 a year from a trust fund bequeathed by Kennedy.

She has made some public appearances in recent years. She has supported efforts to save city landmarks like Grand Central Terminal, attending news conferences but saying little and slipping out through freight entrances.

On her infrequent appearances at social galas, she often dons the designs of Carolina Herrera. Her date is usually longtime friend Maurice Tempelman, 58, a Belgian-born diamond dealer and international businessman.

On autumn weekends, Mrs Onassis sometimes rides with the Essex hunt club, near her Bernardsville estate. She often is among the spectators at the annual steeplechase in nearby Peapack; she does not mingle with the locals.

She has been seen sailing and waterskiing off Martha's Vineyard with Tempelman, but often eludes the public eye camouflaged in a scarf and sunglasses. Her island house is at the end of a 2,000-foot (610-meter) driveway.

The signs out front say "No trespassing."

Mrs Onassis' battles with paparazzi are legendary. She repeatedly went to court to thwart the attentions of photographer Ron Galella, first obtaining a court order barring Galella from coming within 30 feet (9 metre) of her or her children, then going to



Jackie dressed for an evening out in the town and (inset) with first husband John F. Kennedy.

court to enforce that order.

She declines all interviews, according to her spokeswoman, Nancy Tuckerman. She would not speak on the 20th anniversary of the assassination; she will not speak on the quarter-century anniversary.

But occasionally, New Yorkers catch glimpses. One newspaper recently showed Jackie, a still youthful-looking grandmother, crossing a street while

engrossed in a book, oblivious to the photographer. Even celebrity-immune New Yorkers stare when they spot her jogging in Central Park or shopping on Madison Avenue.

"You have two compartments. Your private and your public life," she once explained.

"I think I'm more of a private person. I don't really like to talk about anything."

Twenty-five years after the assassination, after Jackie's fall

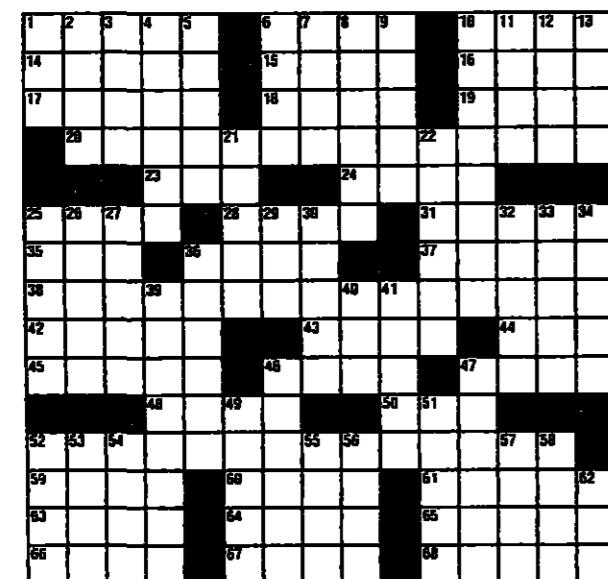
from grace with a Greek, after revelations about the Kennedy era and after her determined efforts to maintain her privacy, a poll asked Americans to list their most admired first ladies.

First was Eleanor Roosevelt, the most active of all president's wives. Second was Nancy Reagan, whose anti-drug campaign was the stuff of current headlines.

And third was Jacqueline Bouvier Kennedy Onassis.

The Kennedys on Inauguration Day, Jan 1961.

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Swimmers complain of shabby treatment at Olympics

OLYMPIAN Rene and Lee Concepcion assailed the "shabby" treatment they got from sports officials during the recent Seoul Olympics.

The Concepcion brothers, who hold five national swimming records between them, three of which they set in the Olympiad, spoke of their sad experiences in Seoul during the weekly meeting of the Rotary Club of Pasig at the Valle Verde Country Club.

"While the athletes from other countries had their countrymen cheering for them, not even a single official watched us nor gave us a pep talk," the 19-year-old Rene said.

Rene also claimed that Mauricio Martelino, Basketball Association of the Philippines (BAP) secretary-general and Olympic team administrative officer, even shouted at the athletes during breaks in the competition.

"During the opening parade, we were given uniforms with the wrong sizes. Swimmer Akiko Thomson was given a pair of shoes with the wrong size, so much so that she got blisters on both feet the next day," added Lee, elder of the two brothers who are students at the University of California in Berkeley.

Libyan banks grant remittance rights to Filipino medics

LIBYAN banks resumed granting Filipino workers the privilege to remit 50 percent of their basic salaries to their beneficiaries in the Philippines.

This was learned from a telemessage by the Philippine embassy in Tripoli to the POEA.

Due to threats by Filipino medical doctors to resign and return to the Philippines, the Libyan government gave in to their demand and continued granting 50 per cent remittance salary allotments, the POEA said.

Libya is among the top 10 countries importing Filipino manpower, mostly medical and paramedical workers.

Filipina' causes tempest in teapot

MANILA, Nov. 12. (AP): President Corazon Aquino and others are up in arms here over a rumoured entry in the latest Oxford unabridged dictionary defining "Filipina" as "a domestic." But publishers say no such entry exists.

The uproar began yesterday when a Filipino businessmen's association adopted a resolution at their annual convention protesting the alleged new definition for "Filipina," which normally refers to Filipino females.

Offended

Mrs Aquino also told reporters she also felt offended that publishers of the prestigious dictionary would include such a "demeaning term" for Filipino womenhood.

"I strongly object to that and we will ask the Department of Foreign Affairs to make known our objection to the definition of 'Filipina,'" she said.

"We also respect these domesticities, but... 'Filipina' embraces all of us women in the Philippines. So I think a more accurate definition is definitely called for," she said.

Jejomar Binay, mayor of the Manila suburb of Makati, told the Manila Times newspaper that he would bar the use of Oxford dictionaries in Makati bookstores and order municipal government offices not to purchase them.

Gabriela, a feminist group, said it also was preparing formal protests to be lodged with the United Nations Commission on Women and other international women's rights group.

None

But in London, officials at the Oxford University Press said they could find no such definition for Filipina in any of their dictionaries.

There was no explanation from the business groups or other critics here about where they heard of the rumoured entry.

Hundreds of thousands of Filipino women work as maids in East Asia, the Middle East, Western Europe and North America.

More jobs for Filipinos in Iraq

By E.T. Suarez

OFFICIALS of the Iraqi government are optimistic about expanded ties between Iraq and the Philippines, including more jobs for Filipinos once Iraq's reconstruction programme is launched, Labour Secretary Franklin M. Drilon reported recently.

In a telex message to the Department of Labour and Employment (DOLE) from Baghdad, Drilon said Iraqi officials spoke of improved trade and other relationships between the two countries in separate talks with the Philippine delegation who called on them in the course of a two-day good-will mission.

Drilon delivered a personal letter from President Aquino to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein through First Deputy Prime

Minister Taha Yassin Ramadhan, who is among Iraqi officials who see great promise in the relations between the two countries.

He said the Iraqi officials include Labour and Social Affairs Minister Bakir Rasoul. Rasoul, Drilon said, hopes that the Philippines will be able to participate in the reconstruction programme now that its war with Iraq is over. There were about 35,000 Filipino workers employed in various projects in Iraq before the war, Drilon said.

Rasoul told Drilon that despite the war, quite number of Filipino workers remained in Iraq and continued to contribute to its development. He said the presence of those workers helped cement the relations between the two countries.

Drilon, who was accompanied by Ambassador Akhmad Sakkam during the courtesy calls he made

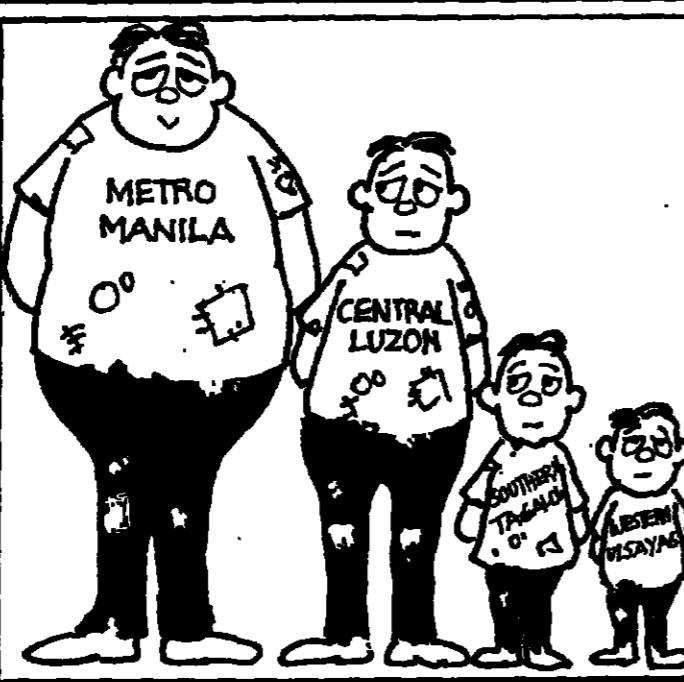
on various officials in Iraq, said the Philippines also looked forward to participating in Iraqi development.

In his message to President Hussein, President Aquino thanked Iraq for the "understanding that your government has manifested during the last Islamic foreign ministers' conference in Amman, Jordan, with respect to our domestic problem in Southern Philippines involving our Filipino Muslim communities."

Hope

"I have consistently regarded the situation of our Muslim brothers in Southern Philippines with a keen desire to speed up their socio-economic and cultural development as an integral part of the Filipino nation," President Aquino also told Hus-

sein. "It is my fervent hope to fur-



Unemployment on the rise again

MANILA — The nation's bleak employment situation which showed signs of improvement at the start of the year again took a more dismal turn at the end of the first semester, according to the National Statistics Office.

Baring results of its latest survey, NCO reports a national unemployment rate of 13.4 per cent compared to 9.1 per cent last January but a little lower than the 14.2 per cent recorded after the first six months of 1987.

In terms of persons, today's jobless count at 3.274 million as against the 2,080 of January or an addition of 1,194 million to its ranks.

Those with jobs increased by 329,000 or from 20,827 million to 21,156 million, NCO adds.

The additions to ranks of both the employed and jobless are

21.6 per cent unemployment rate in Metro Manila

Majority of the unemployed are young

explained by NCO as due to the national labour force increasing to 24,430 million from January's 22,907 million. Making up the labour force are citizens 15 years and above.

Four regions are tagged by the survey as suffering unemployment rates higher than the national average of 13.4 per cent. They are Metro Manila with a 21.6 per cent rate, highest in the entire country; Central Luzon, 19.1 per cent; Southern Tagalog, 15 per cent, and Western Visayas, 14.1 per cent.

Metro Manila, Southern Tagalog and Central Luzon are the three top densely populated regions of the nation, while Western Visayas is still to recover from collapse of its economic mainstay — the sugar industry.

On the bright side, NCO identifies three regions and a subregion which are enjoying single-digit unemployment rates — Central Visayas, 7.3 per cent; Cordillera subregion, 7.8 per

cent; Cagayan Valley, 8.9 per cent, and Eastern Visayas, 9.2 per cent.

Exception of the four areas from the double-digit unemployment rate saddling the rest of the regions indicates a local economic pickup and progress of government efforts at generating job opportunities, NCO suggests.

The survey classifies the employed as follows: 9,344 million as wage and salary workers, 7,960 million as own account workers, and 3,834 million as unpaid family workers.

Own account workers are those engaged in small and medium scale business enterprises including retail vending and operating repair shops while unpaid family workers are those mostly in farming their own

plots.

The agriculture sector continues to be the main job source of majority of those employed. NCO places 46.6 per cent of the total employed in agriculture followed by those in production, transport and plain labourers who comprise 21.1 per cent.

Majority of the unemployed are young, belonging to the 15-24 years-old bracket, according to NCO which also divides the 3.274 million jobless into 1,775 million males and 1,499 million females.

In the case of the 21,156 million employed, the males predominate at 13,577 million with only 1,577 million females.

NCO adds that employed rural-based workers numbered 13,667 million while their urban counterparts at 7,489 million. Most of the jobless at 1,654 million are in the rural areas while those in the cities counted at 1,620 million.

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Postmaster General Tagumay Jardiniario recently announced a government plan to transform the Bureau of Posts into a government corporation.

• He said rank-and-file postal employees get an average of P1,500 monthly, "very much

BUSINESS & FINANCE

Lloyd's of London stiffens membership requirements

LONDON, Nov 12, (AP): Lloyd's of London on Friday set new financial requirements, including stiffer deposit standards, for its members in an attempt to strengthen the security of policies written at the insurance exchange.

Lloyd's said the new requirements, to go into effect in 1990, will for the first time raise the deposit level required of the exchange's British members to the same level required of its foreign members.

They also raise to £250,000 (\$450,000) from £100,000 (\$180,000) the minimum amount of readily reliable financial assets a party must have to be eligible for membership.

Rules

Under the new rules, approved on Friday by the ruling council of Lloyd's, new members and those already having declared financial resources of £250,000 (\$450,000) or more will need to deposit funds with the exchange equal to 30 per cent of their "premium limit." Previously, the deposit was 20 per cent for British concerns and 28 per cent for foreign members.

A premium limit is the maximum amount of premium members are entitled to claim in insurance policies syndicated at Lloyd's.

The limit usually is equal to about 1.5 times a member's declared financial resources.

Members with declared resources of between £100,000 (\$180,000) and £250,000 (\$450,000) will be required to deposit 40 per cent of their premium limit, up from 20 per cent for British members and 28 per cent for foreigners.

Top people get their cars too cheap, complains Soviet worker

MOSCOW, Nov 12, (Reuter): Top people in the Soviet Union get their favourite cars on the cheap, a worker at the Gorky factory which makes the sleek black Chaika limousine complained today.

In an outburst of proletarian anger at official privilege, filter S. Barabashin said production costs of each of the 150 Chaikas the Volga River factory assembled a year were 34,000 roubles or \$54,400.

But they were sold — largely to ministries, Communist Party and state organisations — at an official price of only 28,000 roubles (\$44,800). Barabashin said in an article in the daily Socialist Industry.

"As a result, our factory which is supposed to be self-financing loses one million roubles (\$1.6 million) a year, which we have to pay out of our pockets," he added.

"This has been going on for decades. Earlier, we kept quiet about it, but we can't any longer. We have to count every kopek, but at the same time the plant is throwing a million roubles into the wind every year. Where is the justice?"

Arab Saudi Bank names new vice-president



Leslie J. Rice

LESLIE J. Rice has been named vice-president in charge of financial control of Arab Saudi Bank. Previously, the 36-year-old Briton was controller of the London branch of Credit du Nord, a French bank. He has also held posts with other banks and companies in London, the Channel Islands and Libya.

Rice is an honours graduate in economics and a fellow of Britain's Chartered Institute of Management Accountants.

Transactions

"Mr Rice comes with solid background in the area of international finance transactions and control," said Tarek A. Mowafy, deputy general manager of the Bahrain-based bank. "His experience will add immeasurably to keeping Arab Saudi Bank on the steady and successful course it has pursued these past years."

Dollar at a fair level, says Verity

Wall Street retreats after Bush victory

NEW YORK, Nov 12, (Agencies): Wall Street wanted it, expected it and got it. But when a George Bush victory finally arrived, there was no celebration.

Instead, investors sighed, then retreated. Yesterday, the market dropped nearly 50 points.

When all was said and done, the market acted more relieved that Michael Dukakis did not win, than pleased that George Bush did in Tuesday's presidential election.

"I don't think anyone really wanted Bush; he was the lesser of two evils," asserted John Burnett, senior vice-president at Donaldson, Lufkin and Jenrette Securities Corp.

"I don't know how to describe Wall Street's attitude," said Thomas Walsh, head of equity trading for Nikko Securities Co. International Inc. "You heard more 'I'm glad Dukakis didn't win' than 'I'm glad Bush won.'

Relief

"The market's reaction was relief that Dukakis did not win," added Michael Metz, vice-president for Oppenheimer and Co.

Analysts said investors felt little like celebrating as they awoke

President-elect may adopt Reagan's trade policy

Bush to face bigger budget headache

WASHINGTON, Nov 12, (Agencies): President-elect George Bush has been given the glum news that the US budget deficit in the next fiscal year will be \$21 billion higher than Ronald Reagan's administration had previously estimated.

That information means that Bush will be facing an even bigger budget headache when he takes office on Jan 20.

The new deficit estimate was presented to Bush and Reagan during a cabinet briefing yesterday on the administration's final budget submission to Congress.

Growth

Joseph Wright Jr, director of the Office of Management and Budget, said the OMB now estimates that the deficit for the 1990 fiscal year, which begins next Oct 1, will be \$132 billion, substantially higher than that \$111 billion deficit estimate OMB made just three months ago.

Officials said the main factors boosting the deficit estimate were the drought, which slowed

to post-election reality and the same problems that had troubled the market in the period leading up to the vote — interest rates, the dollar and the budget and trade deficits.

Investors feared Dukakis would be a free-spending liberal — boosting social programmes and cutting defense spending — but wouldn't have reduced the federal budget deficit. They also feared the Democrat would let the dollar decline and fellow protectionist trade policies.

With the election over, the most immediate question was whether the Federal Reserve would move to raise interest rates.

Next was how Bush — the Republican who served as Ronald Reagan's vice-president for eight years — would reduce the massive federal budget deficit. Many analysts feared Bush had backed himself into a corner by vowing not to raise taxes.

Then there was the question of the deteriorating dollar and how foreign investors would react. The currency got a trading shove early in the week from Bush adviser and Harvard economist Martin Feldstein, who

said he was glad Bush won.

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economic growth this year, and higher-than-expected interest rates, which raised the cost of financing the \$2.6-trillion national debt.

The country's balanced budget law's deficit target for 1990 is \$100 billion, which means that \$32 billion in budget cuts will be needed to close the gap between revenues and spending.

Achieving such sizable cuts in the face of congressional opposition to further reductions in domestic programmes will present Bush with major political problems.

During the campaign, Bush sidestepped specifics on how he would deal with the budget deficit by touting a plan for a "flexible freeze." Bush said he would allow government spending to grow only enough to match inflation. Within the overall freeze, selected programmes could grow while others would be cut.

However, Bush avoided providing details on what programmes he would cut in order to free funds for increases that he promised to make an education, child care and health care for the poor.

The budget document Reagan sends to Congress on Jan 9 will reflect his decisions, presidential spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said.

However, officials said it was likely that Bush would rewrite at least part of the document once he takes office, just as Reagan did in 1981 when he submitted his own budget to Congress in place of the budget left behind by Democratic President Jimmy Carter.

Increases

Officials refused to comment on reports that the final Reagan budget will call for substantial increases in defence spending and steep cuts in diplomatic programmes as a way of providing Bush with the opportunity to present a softer budget blueprint once he takes office.

OMB spokeswoman Barbara Clay said that Reagan's final budget would not include any tax increases.

House of Representatives speaker Jim Wright yesterday said the first signal on whether Bush is serious about reducing the budget deficit is likely to come from his appointment of two members to the National Economic Commission, a bipartisan advisory group created to come up with a blueprint for eliminating the budget deficit.

"Will they be pragmatic people, will they be realistic people, will they be people dedicated to finding a true solution to this enormous budget crisis?" Wright, a Democrat, asked. "I think that may be his first signal."

Members of the Democratically controlled US Congress are signalling new pressure on Bush to tighten regulation of US equities markets to prevent a re-run of the crash of '87.

Financial analysts said Bush would probably adopt the same free-market stance as President Reagan, who this year helped stall reform efforts.

"In the absence of some kind of severe market break or other stock market scandal, that kind of legislation will have little chance," said Richard Phillips, former chairman of the American Bar Association's Committee on Federal Regulation of Securities.

April 14.

The Dow industrial average's 78.77-point loss for the full week was the biggest from Aug 8 to 12, when the blue-chip indicator dropped 81.61 points.

The New York Stock Exchange composite index lost 4.46 over the week to end at 151.24; the NASDAQ composite index for the over-the-counter market lost 7.26 to end the week at 373.76; and the American Stock Exchange market value index was down 6.04 to 291.48.

Analysts said.

Meanwhile, Commerce Secretary William Verity said yesterday the dollar had returned to a fair level in line with an agreement reached last June at an economic summit in Toronto.

The seven major industrial democracies agreed that a fall or rise in the dollar from present levels would destabilise the move toward improving global trade balances.

Value

Verity told a US Chamber of Commerce televised trade discussion between Washington and Frankfurt that the dollar had fluctuated since the summit but now "it is a fair value for all seven nations."

For the near-term, analysts say investors need answers. They say Bush needs to move quickly to eliminate the uncertainty that has pervaded Wall Street in the aftermath of his victory.

"Yesterday he conducts himself and what he says between now and inauguration about how he's going to deal with the deficit and other concerns will make a difference in the market," Burnett said.

The dollar is now worth about 1.74 German marks, the same as last June, although it has risen and fallen since then. The dollar is worth about 123 Japanese yen compared with about 125 last June.

World Business Summary

Bahrain may privatise state-owned industries

BAHRAIN, Nov 12, (Reuter): Bahrain is considering plans to transfer some of its government-owned industries to the private sector, Finance Ministry Undersecretary Isa Borsaid said in remarks published today. "The matter needs more study ... which includes taking domestic economic circumstances into consideration," the Arabic weekly Al Adlwa quoted him as saying. "When there is a good investment opportunity, the private sector will not hesitate to co-lead some of its stake in light industries such as Bahrain Aluminum Extrusion Co., which makes windows and door frames from locally-produced aluminium ingots. Heavy basic industries such as Aluminum Bahrain, which produces the ingots, would probably be excluded from the scheme," he said. "It is believed that the private sector will be more commercially minded than the government," said one source.

Jordan will overcome economic crisis, says King Hussein

AMMAN, Nov 12, (Reuter): King Hussein, fresh from a Gulf tour during which he discussed Arab aid arrears, said today he was confident Jordan would overcome its economic crisis. "You know that it is not the first time Jordan has faced a financial challenge," he told bankers, businessmen and industrialists at the opening of a coin museum. "Jordan is accustomed to confronting and overcoming such hardships ... this has given us more strength and endurance." The king returned on Friday from a tour of Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates, Qatar and Oman during which he discussed the kingdom's economic problems. That meeting promised a total of \$1.25 billion a year for a decade but only Saudi Arabia has paid in full. Jordanian Prime Minister Zeid Al Rifai said last month Arab aid arrears equalled Jordan's \$6.5 billion foreign debt.

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Iraq offers state plants to Arab investors

BAGHDAD, Nov 12, (AP): The government has offered to sell a number of state-owned plants to Arab businessmen in Iraq's drive to revive its economy for post-war reconstruction.

Kamel urged them to take the opportunity to set up major industrial projects, such as petrochemical and steel plants.

The Iraqis, eager for badly needed investment so they can revive an ambition industrial development programme shelved in 1984 because of the war, are particularly keen to secure Arab investment from the oil-rich Gulf region.

Assets

The move coincided with new government regulations to encourage the private sector and expand its role in the economy, battered by the eight-year-old war with Iran.

Western diplomats in Baghdad said the move was aimed at raising productivity, which has been damped by bureaucracy,

hard currency shortages and lack of investment.

Few of the state assets offered for sale to local investors have been sold because of caution among Iraqis to invest large amounts of funds held abroad in major enterprises.

The government last April issued a new law to encourage Arab businessmen to invest in Iraq, providing them with incentives such as tax exemption and freedom to move their money abroad with guarantees against government seizure of assets.

The Iraqis' main objectives on the economic front are to rebuild and expand its oil industry, corner-stone of the economy, and secure major new foreign credits despite a foreign debt of an estimate \$60 billion.

Most creditors, hopeful of winning lucrative contracts in

the post-war reconstruction programme, have rescheduled Iraq's debts. The United States and Britain earlier this month extended new lines of credit to Iraq totalling more than \$1.3 billion to finance exports.

Co-operation

Meanwhile, Iraq and Ireland agreed yesterday to boost bilateral trade and technical co-operation, state-run television reported.

The agreement was signed by visiting Irish Trade Minister Seamus Brennan and Iraqi Transportation Minister Mohammed Hamza, the television said.

Ireland also agreed to expand new lines of credit to cover Iraqi purchases from Irish companies, but the television report gave no details of the financing arrangements.

The source noted that "we regret that some Western media channels insist on publishing such reports despite Saudi official announcements on recent disturbances in the oil market."

KUWAIT

BANK SECTOR	P. CLS	LT	HIGH	LOW	VOL	TRADE
NATIONAL BANK	1.100	1.100	1.110	1.100	535000	26
GULF BANK	0.415	0.415	0.415	0.415	310000	7
COMMERCIAL BK	0.310	---	---	---	---	---
ARLY BANK	0.375	0.375	0.375	0.375	240000	6
B.K.M.E.	0.390	---	---	---	---	---
K.R.E.B.	0.390	---	---	---	---	---
BURGAN BANK	0.365	---	---	---	---	---
K.F.HOUSE	0.550	0.550	0.550	0.550	15000	1
INVESTMENT SECTOR	---	---	---	---	---	---
KUT INV. CO.	0.146	---	---	---	---	---
K.F.T.C.I.C.	0.210	---	---	---	---	---
K.I.I.C.	0.142	---	---	---	---	---
COM.FACILITIES	0.480	---	---	---	---	---
ALTAJAN INV.	0.000	---	---	---	---	---
T.F.A.	0.100	---	---	---	---	---
INV. PEARL KUT	0.104	0.102	0.102	0.102	220000	5
INSURANCE SECTOR	---	---	---	---	---	---
KUT INSURANCE	0.730	---	---	---	---	---
GULF INSURANCE	0.350	---	---	---	---	---
ALHIA INS. CO.	0.580	---	---	---	---	---
WARBA INS. CO.	0.445	---	---	---	---	---
REAL EST SECTOR	---	---	---	---	---	---
KUT R.EST. CO.	0.220	---	---	---	---	---
UNI R.EST. CO.	0.095	0.094	0.094	0.094	20000	2
NAT R.EST. CO.	0.200	---	---	---	---	---
SALHIAH R.E.	0.080	---	---	---	---	---
KUT R.E.I.COM	0.000	---	---	---	---	---
INDUSTRY SECTOR	---	---	---	---	---	---
NAT IND. CO.	0.540	---	---	---	---	---
KUT N.P. IND.	0.295	---	---	---	---	---
KUT CEMENT CO.	0.255	---	---	---	---	---
REF. IND. CO.	0.405	0.400	0.400	0.400	10000	1
N.A.M.T.CO.	0.000	---	---	---	---	---
GULF CABLE	1.130	1.120	1.120	1.120	115000	6
K-P.H. IND. CO.	0.192	0.196	0.196	0.196	20000	1
CONT. MARINE	0.255	---	---	---	---	---
K. SH. REP. CO.	0.045	---	---	---	---	---
SERVICES SECTOR	---	---	---	---	---	---
OVERLAND TRANS	0.082	---	---	---	---	---
K.N.C. CO.	0.190	---	---	---	---	---
KUT HOTELS CO.	0.170	---	---	---	---	---
P. WAREHOUSING	0.156	---	---	---	---	---
COM.NKT.CMPX.	0.017	---	---	---	---	---
MOBILE TELE.	0.335	0.335	0.335	0.335	40000	4
KUT COMPUTER	0.172	---	---	---	---	---
FOOD SECTOR	---	---	---	---	---	---
LIVESTOCK T.T.	0.228	---	---	---	---	---
UNTD FISHERIES	0.154	---	---	---	---	---
UNTD POULTRY	0.216	---	---	---	---	---
KUT FOODS	0.500	---	---	---	---	---
AGRI.FOOD PRD.	0.150	---	---	---	---	---
NON-KUT SECTOR	---	---	---	---	---	---
BIN. INTER.BK	0.068	0.068	0.068	0.068	40000	1
BIN. M.EAST.BK	0.052	0.052	0.052	0.052	40000	4
UNTD.GULF.BK	0.000	---	---	---	---	---
COAST. INVEST.	0.100	---	---	---	---	---
A.G. INV. CORP.	0.034	---	---	---	---	---
FIRST.GULF.BK	0.620	---	---	---	---	---
B.K.I.G.	0.080	---	---	---	---	---
KUWAIT STOCK EXCHANGE	---	---	---	---	---	---
COMPANIES LISTED ON THE PARALLEL MARKET	---	---	---	---	---	---
FINANCIAL SECTOR	P. CLS	LT	HIGH	LOW	VOL	TRADE
PEARL INV.CO.	0.098	---	---	---	---	---
GULF INV.CO.	0.061	---	---	---	---	---
GULF INTL. INS	0.009	---	---	---	---	---
ARAB INT. CO.	0.055	---	---	---	---	---
SHARJAH INS	0.000	---	---	---	---	---
GULF UNION INS	0.070	---	---	---	---	---
INDUSTRIAL SECTOR	---	---	---	---	---	---
B.GULF MEDICAL	0.028	---	---	---	---	---
C.R.K. WHITE CHMNT	0.024	---	---	---	---	---
DAJMAN CEMENT	0.007	---	---	---	---	---
EMARAT FARMING CO. 2007	---	---	---	---	---	---
SHARJAH CEMENT	0.010	---	---	---	---	---
QASUL CEMENT	0.016	---	---	---	---	---
KUWAIT CEMENT	0.022	---	---	---	---	---

AMMAN

	OPNG	CLSG
ALA-ADDIN COMPANY	1.41	1.40
ARAB ALUMINUM IND.	2.00	1.99
ARAB BANK	144.0	143.7
ARAB CHEMICAL DTER	4.45	4.50
ARAB FINANCE CORP.	2.11	2.22
ARAB INSURANCE	1.10	1.12
ARAB INTL. INV/TRADE	0.98	0.98
ARAB UNION INS	0.90	0.99
ARAB INTER-HOTELS	0.58	0.58
ARAB INV/INVEST/BK	2.26	2.27
ARAB PAPER COR/DRG	0.38	0.36
ARAB PHARMA. MANF.	2.49	2.48
ARAB PHARMA/CHM.	0.76	0.75
ARAB POTASH CO.	---	---
ARABIAN SEAS INS.	1.65	1.65
BANK OF JORDAN	16.27	16.70
BELGIUM INSURANCE	1.00	0.95
CAIRO ANHAM BANK	29.00	29.00
CONFECT/CHOCOLATE	1.05	1.25
DAR AL SHABA PRESS	0.71	0.70
DAR ALDAWAH DW/INV.	2.53	2.50
DARCO/INVEST/HOUS.	0.67	0.68
FINANCE/CREDIT/COR	0.58	0.57
GARAGE OWNERS OFF	4.40	4.50
GENERAL INSURANCE	2.39	2.63
GENERAL INVESTMENT	1.45	1.52
GENERAL MINNING	1.38	1.45
HIMMEN MINERALS	0.75	0.75
HOLY LAND INS.	1.40	1.41
IND./WATCH JEMCO	0.76	0.75
INDSTR. DEVTL. BINK	1.58	1.61
INDSTR/COMM/AGR.	1.45	1.46
INDUSTRIAL INVEST.	0.75	0.75
INTERN.COM/INV	0.13	0.13
IRIBID ELECTRICITY	0.86	0.86
ISLAMIC INV. HOUSE	0.64	0.64
ITERMED/PETRI/CH	1.42	1.40
J.TOUR-SP COMPLEX	0.79	0.80
JERUSALEM INS.	1.26	1.29
JO TOBACCO/CIGARET	14.75	15.25
JOR CERAMIC FACTOR	1.63	1.62
JOR EAGLE INS.	25.01	25.05
JOR ELECTRIC POWER	1.79	1.80

Norway minister quashes devaluation rumours

OSLO, Nov 12, (Reuters): Norwegian Finance Minister Gunnar Berge has quashed rumours that Oslo intends to devalue the crown — a rumour that was partly responsible for depressing the nation's currency this week.

"That is ridiculous and absolutely not the case," Berge told the daily *Stavanger Aftenblad* today.

State television reported the Central Bank bought five billion crowns (\$760 million) in currency intervention on Friday to bolster the currency. It gave no sources for its report.

They said the crown's fall was partly because of problems within Norway's oil-based economy but there had also been rumours of a devaluation.

Norway last devalued the crown in the spring of 1986 — by 12 per cent — when a collapse in the price for its North Sea oil threatened to create a major economic recession.

Labour Prime Minister Gro Harlem Brundtland said there would be only one devaluation and Norway would subsequently solve its economic problems by other means.

Interest rates in the Saudi riyal market fell in reaction to the SPA report ruling out a devaluation.

The source said Saudi Arabia maintained that the volatility resulted from the failure of other members of the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries to meet part of the cost of the \$18.90 a barrel five-star hotel project — Bhasker Palace Ashok at Hyderabad.

Dr A.K. Bhattacharya, (extreme right) managing director of the State Bank of Hyderabad, addressing the investors' conference of the Bhasker Palace Ashok, a five-star hotel opening shortly at Hyderabad. To his right is J. Bhasker Rao, the promoter of the hotel.

marketing tie-up with the ITDC chain, the largest in India.

This is the first time that ITDC has entered into an agreement with a private promoter in the five-star category.

Ideally located for scenic beauty and commercial activity, Bhasker Palace Ashok will have 222 elegant rooms including 19 luxurious suites in the best of five-star style. The hotel will also have a roof top revolving restaurant, the largest in India, the press release said.

Taking into account the number of rooms and the cost of the revolving restaurant, the project cost of Rs18.90 crores is the lowest in the country. The cost per room, works out at Rs8.51 lakhs which compares very favourably with the per room cost of other five-star hotels, which ranges from Rs10.90 lakhs to Rs12.56 lakhs. This will enable the hotel to achieve a low project cost.

Bhasker Palace Ashok will be in a position to achieve a break-even point at 52 per cent occupancy as compared to 60 per cent to 75 per cent for five-star hotels, thus assuring higher profitability, according to the company.

In view of its collaboration

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JO R. FINANCE HOUSE	1.22	1.24
JO R. GLASS INDUSTRY	1.05	1.05
JO R. HOTEL TOURISM	2.50	2.30
JO R. INDUSTRY CHEM.	1.92	1.98
JO R. INS. AND FIN.	1.20	1.20
JO R. LEASING CORP.	0.57	0.56
JO R. LIN BRICK	0.22	0.22
JO R. MANAG/CONSULT	0.50	0.50
JO R. NATIONAL BANK	2.77</td	

DARTS

Baggs and Cottar remain unbeaten

DEFENDING KBRC Monday League darts champions Baggs remained unbeaten this week with an edged 4-2 win at Tanker Co., as did perennial arch rivals Cottar Hoose who went top on game difference by beating Wallbangers 5-1.

Stuart Skelhorn earned his 40 trophy for WB's in his three high scores, while Ing. Thulin registered 140 for Baggs, as did Dave Bolton for Tanker Co., as all Tanker Co. players made high scores but stumbled on hitting their doubles.

Queens relinquished their hold on the top spot in the ladies League going down 2-1 to title holders Cottar Hoose, as Maureen Simms couldn't repeat last week's trophy winning 156, though Val Pond did score 110. New leaders are Bandit ladies after a 2-0 home win against off form Mishraf, with Tanker Co. ladies second due to a 2-0 walkover from Nightlights.

Straight As A Dai took full advantage of Exiles and Ragamuffins' week off by beating Members 5-1, and moving into Men's League third. George Smith hit yet another 140, while Andy Wilson checked out with 93 but still went down 2-1 to Jerry Upton.

Bandits beat Mishraf with superior Mickey Mouse tactics, whilst Pacifists were extremely docile in a 6-0 drubbing at the hands of Cunning Linguists. Keith Swaden must be wondering what went wrong as he scored 180, 140, 125 and 121 yet still lost his game, though Pacifist ladies redressed the balance with a 2-1 win over Hellbets.

In the KBRC Wednesday League it was all change this week as upsets ruled the day. Leaders Middle Eastenders slumped to a first defeat 5-1 at Soweto Slingers, despite three high scores from Ron Finch. A similar fate befalls Bulls Hitters who were completely psyched out of it by Rondels.

Lowly Nobblers earned their third point in two weeks with a 4-2 win over slumping Shower of Tossers, whilst last week's opponents Shipwrecks gained a second point in a 3-3 draw with the ill-mannered Chuckers. Bottom club Fintas Flyers are now two points adrift despite a good fight at improving Hasbeans, going down 4-2 with Martin Downey scoring 140, as did Glyn Gafford in inflicting a season's first defeat on Nobby Burton.

H20 won the battle for third defeating Equalisers 4-2, while Entente Geordale gained a point playing draw specialists Menage A Trois.

Ladies leaders Avengers lost for the first time 2-0 to Mee ladies, but remain top as rivals Tossers ladies also went down 2-1 to Nibblers.

Men's League

	P	W	D	L	G	F	G	A	Pts
Cottar Hoose	4	3	1	0	18	6	7		
Baggs	4	3	0	1	16	8	6		
S As A Dai	4	3	0	1	16	8	6		
Exiles	4	2	2	0	16	8	6		
Ragamuffins	4	3	0	1	15	9	6		
Cunning L	4	2	1	1	15	9	5		
Bandits	4	2	0	2	11	13	4		
Tanker Co.	4	1	1	2	13	11	3		
Wallbangers	4	1	0	3	10	18	18		
Members	5	1	1	3	10	20	20		
Mishraf	5	0	0	4	6	18	0		
The Members	4	0	0	4	6	18	0		

Ladies League

	P	W	D	L	G	F	G	A	Pts
P. W. D. L. G. F. G. A. Pts									
Bandits	4	3	0	1	6	3	6		
Tanker Co.	4	3	0	1	6	4	6		
Queens	5	2	0	3	6	8	6		
Cottar Hoose	4	2	0	2	5	3	4		
D. A. S.	3	2	0	1	5	3	4		
Facets	3	2	0	2	3	4	4		
Mishraf	3	1	0	2	3	4	2		
Ragabags	3	1	0	2	3	4	2		
Fellbets	2	0	0	2	1	4	0		
Nightlights	3	0	0	3	0	8	0		

SIDHU AND VENGASKAR PUT INDIA IN CONTROL AGAINST KIWIS

Hadlee sets Test-wicket record

BANGALORE, India, Nov 12. (Reuters) New Zealand fast-medium bowler Richard Hadlee drew clear of England all-rounder Ian Botham as Test cricket's most prolific wicket-taker here today.

With his 14th ball on the opening day of the first Test against India, Hadlee removed Indian opener Arun Lal to take his tally to 374 wickets in 75 Tests.

He had held the record jointly with Botham since last December and went further clear with one more wicket before India's batsmen took control to finish the day on 243 for three.

Certainly

"It was important to us that it happened quickly so that we could get on with the game. Arun Lal will certainly go down in my memory as a very special person and obviously a very special wicket," Hadlee said.

In normal circumstances Hadlee's bowling would have been overshadowed by a brilliant maiden Test hundred by Navjot Sidhu, who came to the wicket in only the fifth over after Hadlee had Lal well caught at third slip by Chris Kuggelein.

The 25-year-old Punjabi was dismissed 15 minutes before the close for a superb 116 when Andrew Jones took a well-judged running catch over his shoulder deep cover to give Ewan Gray revenge for the mauling he had received from Sidhu.

Gray was hit straight for four sixes by Sidhu, who faced 196 balls and also struck 12 fours.

With his captain Dilip Vengsarkar, Sidhu added 174 for the third wicket. The partnership was interrupted when Veng-



Hadlee (left) consoles Arun Lal after dismissing him to set a new record. (Reuters wirephoto)

the record as Ian Botham potentially had six Tests in England," Hadlee said.

Botham was unable to play in any one of those six Tests — five against West Indies and one against Sri Lanka — because of a back injury.

"I hope he's fit to bowl again. Someone has to break my record," Hadlee said.

On the prospect of reaching the 400-wicket landmark in Tests, Hadlee said in a radio interview: "I am looking at my career on a year-to-year basis, and having given up county cricket and just had six months at home has helped to sustain me.

"The chance of taking 400 wickets is certainly a possibility with three Tests here in India and

three at home to Pakistan early next year."

Scoreboard

K. Srikkanth b Hadlee	1
Arun Lal c Kuggelein b Hadlee	6
N. Sidhu c Jones b Gray	116
D. Vengsarkar retired hurt	73
M. Azharuddin not out	33
W. Gray not out	2
Extras (0-4 1s-4 6s-6)	12
Total (for three wickets)	243

Fall of wickets 1-9 2-10 3-236

To bat: Kapil Dev, R. Shastri, K. More, A. Ayub, N. Hirwani.

Bowling to date: Hadlee 17-4-34-2, Chatfield 18-8-29-4, Kuggelein 11-2-45-0, Gray 22-3-75-1, Bracewell 15-1-49-0.

New Zealand — J. Wright, T. Franklin, A. Jones, K. Rutherford, M. Greatbatch, C. Kuggelein, R. Hadlee, J. Bracewell, L. Smith, E. Gray, E. Chatfield.



Johnson hopes to race Lewis again

Lewis could possibly face suspension under IAAF rules if he were to race against a banned athlete.

Johnson is under suspension by the IAAF and the Canadian Track and Field Association (CTFA) for two years after being stripped of his Olympic 100 metres gold medal for testing positive for the anabolic steroid stanazolol.

Lewis, who finished second to Johnson in Seoul, was later awarded the gold medal.

Johnson has maintained since his hasty return from Seoul on September 27 that he did not knowingly take any illegal substances and has been ordered by his lawyer not to discuss the incident.

Johnson is training without the assistance of Charlie Francis, who had been his coach for the past 11 years. Francis was suspended indefinitely with pay on October 24 by the CTFA pending an investigation into the Seoul doping scandal.

Yesterday, Johnson worked out with hurdler Mark McCoy, who is under investigation by the CTFA for leaving Seoul without competing in the 4x100 metres relay.

Johnson, McCoy and Francis are among those who will be called to testify before the Canadian government-ordered royal commission into drugs in amateur sport.

Richards holds up New South Wales

SYDNEY, Nov 12. (Reuters) West Indies captain Viv Richards, who scored his 99th first-class hundred against South Australia a week ago, was on course for his 100th after coming to his side's rescue against New South Wales today.

Richards made 35 not out after the touring side were reduced to 35 for four in reply to NSW's first innings total of 401 for eight declared.

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Richards scored his runs in an unbroken fifth-wicket stand of 53 with Gus Logie, who was 18 not out at the close when West Indies were 138 for four. Two days of the four-day match remain.

The only time Richards lost his composure was against the last ball of the day from fast bowler

Geoff Lawson. Ducking to avoid the inevitable bouncer, Richards lost his red West Indies cap which fluttered down just missing his stumps.

NSW all-rounder Greg Matthews, who was unable to resume his innings earlier in the day after being hit on the elbow yesterday by a ball from Winston Benjamin, struck his edge, although his 17 overs cost only 34 runs.

Hadlee said it was a huge relief to have broken the record, particularly after he failed to take a wicket in his last series against England earlier this year.

"After blowing out eight months ago against England I was not sure if I would get another go at

Hadlee's record

Season	Opponents	H/A	Test	Over	Mis	Run	Wkts	5Wk	10Wk
1972-73	Pakistan	H	1	25	45	8	143	1	0
1973	England	A	1	45	9	255	7	0	0
1973-74	Australia	A	3	50.4	6	225	10	0	0
1974	Australia	H	2	48.3	4	197	12	0	0
1975-76	India	H	2	75.2	2	270	11	0	0
1976-77	India	A	3	127	18	437	13	0	0
1976-77	Australia	H	2	72	7	354	6	0	0
1977-78	England	H	3	121.3	26	371	15	1	0
1978	England	A	3	121.1	31	270	13	1	0
1978-79	Pakistan	H	3	117.6	13	414	18	2	0
1979	W. Indies	A	3	104.3	50	361	19	2	0
1980-81	Australia	A	3	147.3	35	364	20	1	0
1981-82	India	H	3	91.5	25	226	10	1	0
1982-83	Sri Lanka	H	2	77.3	27	141	10	0	0
1983	England	A	4	232	65	559	21	0	0
1983-84	Pakistan	H	3	117.5	47	230	23	2	0
1984-85	Pakistan	A	3	118.5	29	306	16	1	0
1985-86	W. Indies	A	4	143	33	409	15	0	0
1986-87	Australia	H	3	106.3	42	321	35	5	0
1986-87	England	A	3						

SPORTS BRIEFS

Title fight

BISMARCK, N.D., Nov. 12, (Reuter): Hometown hero Virgil Hill connected with a right uppercut to the chin of Canadian challenger Willy Featherstone in the 10th round to retain his World Boxing Association light heavyweight crown yesterday. The referee stopped the fight in this round.

Diego Maradona

MILAN, Italy, Nov. 12, (UPI): Diego Maradona netted seven minutes from time today to lift a League selection from Italy to a 2-2 draw against a Polish side in a match marking the 90th anniversary of the Italian Soccer Federation.

Adjusted

Southampton moved up two places to third, six points behind the pacemakers, by beating Aston Villa 3-1 after second half goals from Matthew Le Tissier and Rodney Wallace.

Their success pushed Millwall down to fourth, though the London club gave a further demonstration of how effectively they have adjusted to their debut season in Division One by holding champions Liverpool 1-1 at Anfield.

The London club's new signing, winger Paul Stephenson, made a story-book start by scoring on his first appearance, before Steve Nicol put Liverpool back on terms.

Norwich have apparently found it difficult to pinpoint the reason for their outstanding

form, stressing that essentially they are not playing any differently from last season when they ended in 14th position.

They have won eight of their 12 League games, and seem on course to extend their winning record when midfielder Trevor Putney struck his first goal of the season to put them in front after 29 minutes.

However, Norwich squandered maximum home points when they allowed Wednesday captain and defender Sterland break away on the right and unleash a shot that deflected past helpless goalkeeper Bryan Gunn in the 88th minute.

Arsenal, playing with a growing insurance and conviction that has made them the most realistic threat to Liverpool's crown, boosted their title challenge with the aid of a 73rd minute goal from Steve Bould.

The former Stoke defender produced a looping header to decide a lack-lustre affair that left Newcastle at the bottom of the 20-team division.

Southampton, another club to have taken some of the spotlight from their more glamorous rivals, stepped up their title bid by ending an unbeaten run of seven games by visitors Villa.

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Stephenson, signed from

Newcastle for £300,000 (£540,000) this week, spectacularly launched his Millwall career with a goal after 10 minutes, his right-foot shot taking a deflection and giving goalkeeper Mike Hooper no chance.

The joy among Millwall's 4,000 fans was tempered as the champions equalised five minutes later. A low cross by England forward Peter Beardsley was cleared only as far as defender Nicol, lurking on the edge of the box, who thrust the ball home off the inside of a post.

Manager Terry Venables's multi-million dollar Tottenham team climbed off the bottom with a 3-2 home win against Wimbledon, a bruising clash in which defender Gary Stevens was carried off on a stretcher following a two-footed tackle by Wimborne midfielder Vinny Jones.

Alive

Debutant centre-half Guy Butters marked his Tottenham debut by nodding in Paul Gascoigne's corner to put Spurs 2-1 up in the 61st minute, and Vinny Samways clinched victory with a goal 60 seconds later.

Terry Fenwick had put Spurs ahead from the penalty spot, while Wimbledon goals both came from striker Terry Gibson against his former club.

Celtic took revenge for a 5-1 defeat earlier in the season by

Scottish Premier League leaders Rangers, bouncing back to win 3-1 and keep alive their hopes of retaining the title.

Rangers still set the pace on 22 points, five in front of Celtic and three ahead of Aberdeen, who stay second following their 1-1 draw with Dundee United.

England pair Mark Walters and Terry Butcher were involved in the first two goals, Walters putting Rangers ahead on 18 minutes with a penalty and captain Butcher turning a header into his own net to put Celtic level.

The champions then seized the initiative with two goals before half-time, Mark McGhee putting them into the lead after 36 minutes and Billy Stark adding a third a minute before the interval.

Results

English Division One		
Charlton	1	Everton
Coventry	1	Luton
Derby	2	Manchester U
Liverpool	1	Millwall
Nottingham	1	QPR
Norwich	0	Sheffield Wed
Southampton	3	Aston Villa
Tottenham	3	Wimbledon
West Ham	3	Notts Forest
English Division Two		
Barnsley	0	Bradford
Blackburn	2	Brighton
Bournemouth	2	Crystal P
Chelsea	1	Everton
Leeds	2	West Brom
Manchester C	3	Watford
Oxford	3	Queen's Park
Portsmouth	2	Stirling
Scottish Division One		
Aberdeen	1	Dundee U
Celtic	3	Rangers
Dundee	0	St Mirren
Hearts	1	Hibernian
Motherwell	1	Hamilton
Scottish Division Two	3	Clyde
St Johnstone	4	Ayr
		Kilmarnock
		Partick
		Queen of S
		Raith
		St Johnstone
		Morton
		Stranraer
Scottish Division Two		
Alloa	2	East Fife
Brechin	1	Arbroath
Cowdenbeath	1	Aberdeen
Dumbarton	2	Stenhousemuir
Manchester C	3	East Stirlng
Oxford	0	Montrose
Portsmouth	0	Plymouth
Scottish Division Three		

England may make tour to New Zealand

LONDON, Nov. 12, (Reuter): England's cricketers, whose scheduled tour of India was called off last month, may make a brief trip to New Zealand early next year.

Although the English Test and County Cricket Board (TCCB) said it was too early to release any definite news, the possibility of a short tour was mentioned by Richard Hadlee today.

The New Zealand fast-medium bowler, speaking on British Radio after taking sole possession of the world Test wicket-taking record in India, said: "I understand there is a chance of England visiting us next year for a one-off Test and perhaps two or three one-day internationals."

New Zealand, currently playing a three-Test rubber in India, have three home Tests against Pakistan starting in early February, followed by a limited overs series against the same opponents ending in mid-March.

Refuse

The TCCB have never given up hope of finding an alternative to the tour of India, which was effectively scuppered when the Indian government said it would refuse to issue visas to captain Graham Gooch and seven other players with South African connections.

TCCB chief executive Alan Smith said earlier this week: "The position is unchanged. We do hope to arrange an alternative tour but at this stage it is too early to say whether anything can be fixed up. The international programme worldwide is very congested this winter."

Hadlee's comments came after he had taken his 374th Test wicket to move ahead of the record mark he had shared with England all-rounder Ian Botham.

Dubai match postponed

THE Dubai Champions Cup between Liverpool and Glasgow Celtic is to be held early in the new year, after a postponement forced by a replay of an English League Cup-tie and England's preparations for the next World Cup.

The original Nov. 22 date for the match at Al Nasr stadium — the unofficial British championship which brings together the champions of the English and Scottish Leagues — had to be postponed when Liverpool drew 0-0 last week with Arsenal in the third round of the League Cup.

Set

Normally, the replay would have been held a week later, on Nov. 16. But the date clashed with England's World Cup warm-up match against Saudi Arabia involving players from both Liverpool and Arsenal, and the English Football League has now set the replay for Nov. 23.

SOUTHAMPTON BEAT VILLA TO MOVE UP

Sterland grabs late equaliser to hold Norwich

LONDON, Nov. 12, (Reuter): Leaders Norwich, who have been upstaging the traditional giants of the English soccer First Division, had their progress checked when Mel Sterland snatched a late equaliser for visiting Sheffield Wednesday in a 1-1 draw today.

Unfashionable Norwich, who have never finished higher than fifth in the First Division, had their lead cut from six to four points over second-placed Arsenal, who pulled off a 1-0 victory at struggling Newcastle.

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But in the second set Mel Sterland forced McEnroe to stay at the back of the court and got into a rhythm with his accurate baseline shots cross-court and down the line.

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